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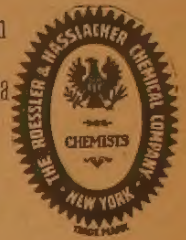
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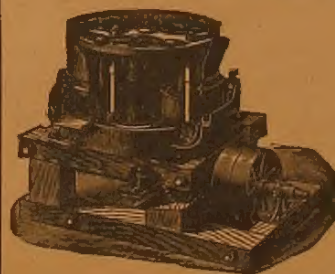
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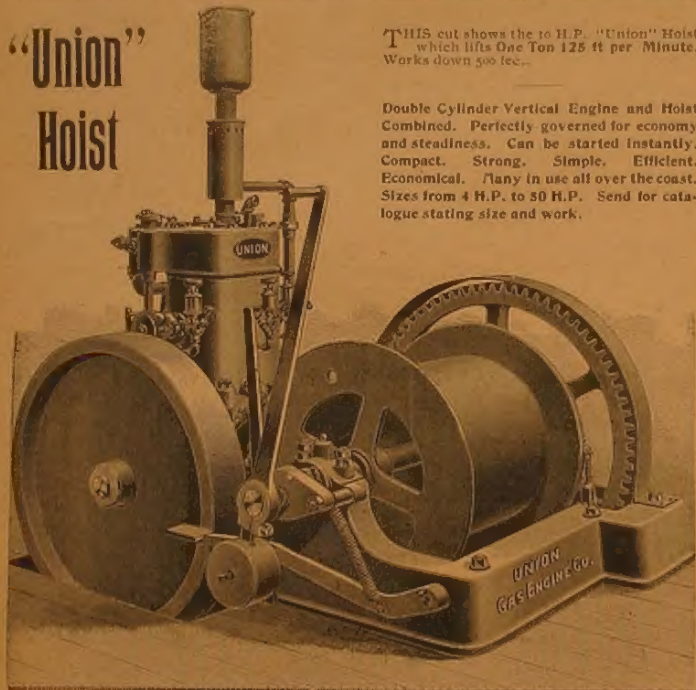
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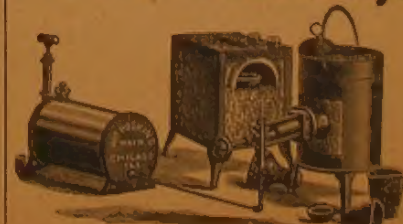
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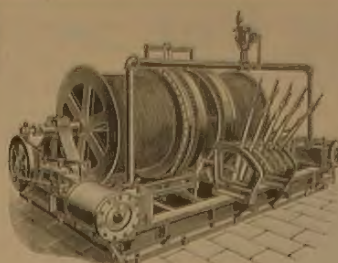
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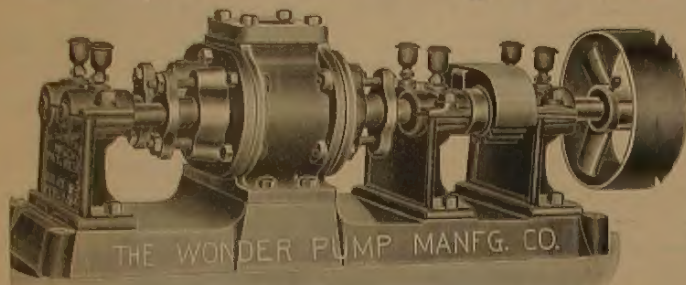
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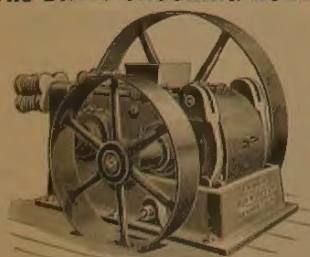
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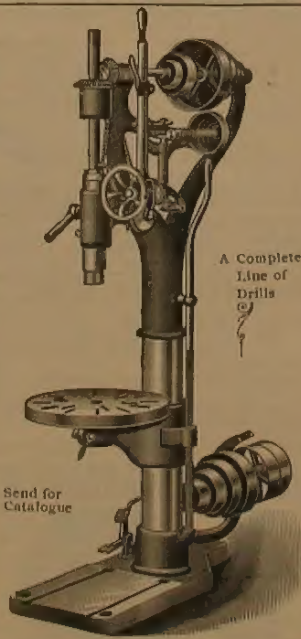
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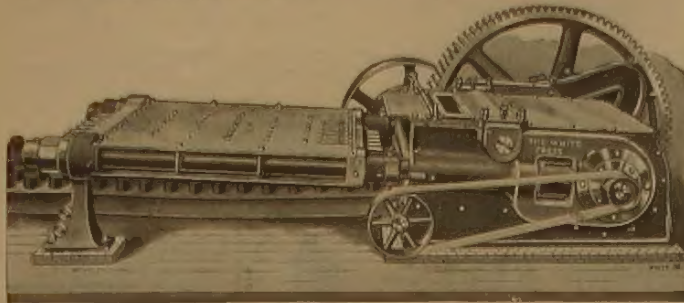
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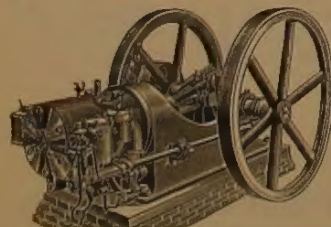
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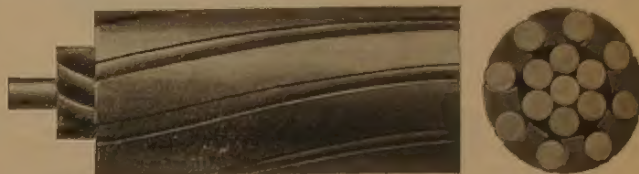
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The invitations extended to the miners in the southern counties, printed in our last issue, to become members of the Southern California Branch of this influential and useful organization, has met with hearty response from all directions, and the membership list is rapidly increasing in consequence. As intimated formerly, the forthcoming meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers is to be held in San Francisco in October next, when they are to be received as the guests of the California Miners' Association. This always interesting gathering of the best talent in the mining world, offers a special inducement to the mining men of the Southern counties to enroll their names as members with the secretary pro tem until his successor is nominated, O. S. Breese, Room 420 Stimson Block, Los Angeles. The entrance fee is two dollars, which entitles them to membership and privileges for one year. All those interested in the several branches of the industry are invited to become members, and further the importance of mining in this section, as well as their own personal interests and duty in doing so.

The Baker-Clark gold extraction process for which a patent has been applied for by Deadwood, South Dakota, parties, of whom W. H. Baker is the inventor and J. T. Gillmore is interested. The process is only in the experimental stage so far, and is outlined as intended to dissolve the gold and silver in ores by the use of boiling hot alkaline and cyanide of potassium solutions under pressure, and recovering an equivalent of the metals from the solution by the same energy at the same moment, without the use of zinc or other precipitating agencies. A weekly newspaper of Deadwood in which the process is described says:

"To carry the process into effect the ore is

finely pulverized and run into vats. These vats are made of wrought iron and are six feet long and two feet high, oval at the bottom and fitted with perforated pipes that run lengthwise. The vats are filled half full of pulp, and a cubic foot of solution is added for every three cubic feet of pulp. The mechanical stirring apparatus, calculated to keep the solution agitated, is then applied, the steam from the boilers is turned on, and the boiling and agitation are continued for three hours. The evaporation by that time nearly reaches the amount of solution added to the vats, but the inventor manages to keep the solution of uniform strength, which is a very important item.

"After three hours' agitation the vats are detached, pushed out of the way, and another set of vats is taken up. The solutions from the first set are drawn off and returned to the tanks, where it is allowed to settle, the solutions being returned to the boilers. The tailings are dumped into bins, water is added, and, to equal the amount of solution drawn off, steam from the boilers is applied, and the agitation is kept up for nine hours. The solution is then drawn off, wash water is added and drawn off, and these, containing the gold and silver recovered from the tailings, are added to fresh pulp. Cyanide of potassium is added until the solution contains from seven to ten pounds of free cyanide to every 2,000 pounds of the solution, which makes it ready for use on the fresh pulp. The values in the solutions, added to the amount recovered in three hours' treatment and drawn off, equal the full values recovered in the pulp, and average about 80 per cent of the values in the ore treated.

"When the solutions in the boilers become heavily charged with the metals they are evaporated to complete dryness, the residue fused at a red heat, then allowed to cool; the saline mass is dissolved with water and the gold and silver are recovered in a metallic porous state. The water may contain a little gold and silver, and is added to fresh pulp, for further treatment.

"By actual tests, conducted in Deadwood, over 90 per cent of the values have been obtained by the process. In one experiment Mr. Baker recovered 94 per cent of the fire assay."

As no estimate of the fuel used in proportion to the ton of ore treated by the process is given, it is not shown if the cost of fuel exceeded the amount of gold obtained. The cost of fuel is an important item in such a process.

## TRADE UNIONS.

In these days when capital and labor are each organizing into trusts, combines and syndicates, or unions, societies and associations, (for it matters not under what names they are called) for the mutual benefit of the members joining such social or trade organizations we find trouble emanating. The right to do so is one of individual choice or duty, when the members so combined unite to regulate their own actions and operations, but when any class or society attempts to control the liberty of any individual outside of their own organization, they are taking to themselves power which only belongs to the legally elected representatives of the people, and are therefore doing that which is illegal in attempting to force an outside party to do certain acts against his will. The recent labor trouble and destruction of property, by the union miners at the Bunker

Hill and Sullivan mines in Idaho, which was given in detail in the daily press, is a case in point. It must be remembered, however, that it was capital that was the first to combine, and that caused or in a measure forced the labor element to do so likewise. The miners' union has, however, carried lawless actions and disorder into almost every district in which it has made its appearance. The chief object of such a union is claimed to be the protection of the rights of its individual members, which is a good object; but the first actions seem always to be the illegal one of seeking to control the liberty of those outside and differing from them, and, failing in that point, they resort to physical force and the destruction of life and property. Riot, bloodshed and fire have been proved by history to follow as a result the misunderstood object of union and ill-advised counsel on the part of the leaders.

The loss to a district or state where such trouble arises cannot be estimated at the amount of property destroyed or lives lost, for there is no more sure way to prevent the future investment of capital than to let it be known that the miners' union is in force, and attempts to dictate terms to the owners and their non-union fellow workmen. By such lawless actions, the labor element which contains the largest number suffers the greatest loss, for their own actions strike back with greatest force and effect against themselves.

### MINING CLAIM SIDE LINES.

"British Columbia, it appears, has had  
"just enough experience with the American  
"extra-lateral right law to raise some very  
"nice legal problems, which are heightened  
"by the complex geological features of that  
"region," so says the *Mining and Scientific  
Press* of 6th ult.

The facts of the case are that the legislators of British Columbia were wrongly induced a few years ago, by a minority of the miners of the country, to change the law in respect to the side line boundaries of mining claims from the just principle to the miner and to capital invested in mines, of following the dip of the vein or deposit, to the unjust side line of surface boundary, embraced in the square location, with vertical side lines for all boundaries of the claim.

As the majority of the veins or deposits in British Columbia, or any other country, do not dip in a vertical direction, the farmers' square location and vertical side line boundaries are proving a delusion and a snare, for, after the mine is opened, it is discovered that it dips under an adjoining claim owned by another party. They must either quit work or buy that party out. This is where the trouble arises of applying surface laws and customs to underground or geologic conditions which are not made on the vertical plan—descending from heaven to the center of the earth.

As it is mineral the miner and capital are after, the best and fairest boundary is the just and sensible Western American plan, of following the dip of the same vein or deposit, in the interest of capital invested in deep mining. To stop a mine from being operated when the vein and the workings reach an imaginary surface line, is to impose an unjust restriction on the industry.

British Columbia is suffering from an epidemic of two much dip under an unjust boundary, as the result of having departed from a just American custom. There are a few inexperienced theorists who desire to impose on



the American mining industry the same hindrance to deep mining and injustice to capital as has been practiced in British Columbia, because unsuitable laws and surface conditions do not apply to geological and underground work. Keep legal problems away from geological conditions, and arbitration among mining men will settle all mining disputes better than lawyers in courts of law, whose interest is to carry on the fight.

#### WIND AS A MOTIVE POWER.

During the last century, the advance made in obtaining power made from the agency of the wind has not kept pace with steam or electricity. Before the advent of coal mining and the steam engine, the windmill was the chief source of mechanical power in many parts of the world. With the exception of the large and efficient use to which compressed air is put, the windmills of today are hardly a step in advance of a hundred years ago, except in the use of iron or steel in their construction in place of wood; in some instances they are seldom more efficient. In the arid sections of the southwest, where water and fuel are scarce, this source of possible power supply offers a large field for the inventive genius in pneumatic machines of all kinds. The application of the windmill to compressing air, or generating electricity for power, heat or light, should be a sufficient field to bring forth more effective machinery of that description. In the mountain and desert sections, there is great necessity for such improved machinery.

If the same energy was employed in inventing a better windmill that is wasted on flying machines, it might accomplish some good purpose. The use and cheapened production of aluminum, especially in the form of sheets, ought to make a light and durable material in the construction of such a class of machinery and give it a larger industrial application.

It has been found that a windmill and dynamo storage battery plant, for the generation and storage of electricity for household use, costs in the neighborhood of \$4,000, which places it beyond the means of the large majority of those who live outside a town or city and require such a plant. With a cheap and powerful windmill and plant for producing heat and light, which has not as yet been introduced, the winds of winter could be turned to the useful purpose of comfort, which high cost makes impossible. With efficient means of getting power from this source, there are large districts where mines could be operated at a profit. There is no branch of the mechanical industry which has been so much neglected, and which offers such good inducements as this subject presents, and in which there is such a large market ready to purchase the plant, when produced at a cost low enough to be within the reach of those of limited means.

#### POWER FOR UNDERGROUND WORK.

A few years ago steam was the chief means of obtaining power for underground work, but the loss of power by condensation was so great, that the introduction of compressed air and electricity soon made its use the most expensive. Steam had the great objection that it increased the temperature and moisture of the air in the mine, and affected the health of the miners where it was used. Compressed air and electricity have succeeded it, and are equal competitors for favor, with the advan-

age in favor of compressed air, as it purifies the air of the mine and cools it to a small extent. As the mine increases in size and in depth, so does the necessity arise for power for underground work and increased supply of fresh air, which compressed air yields. Another advantage possessed by it is, that about the same amount of pressure is obtained from it underground, as there is indicated at the air receiver on the surface. In a northern climate where the atmosphere is moist and damp, that moisture is not eliminated from it by the heat produced in the act of compressing it, but to diminish that moisture, it is admirable to pass the air pipe leading from the compressor to the air receiver so as to go through the back part of the fire box under the boilers, when steam is the power used. By doing so, the air is deprived of most of its moisture, and the heat from the fire box also adds to the effect of compressing, in expanding the volume. It also has the benefit of making the air so much drier, that the amount of ice formed in liberating it at the drill, or cylinder of the pump or engine, is decreased so as at times to lessen the necessity of keeping a torch burning at that part to keep it from freezing up.

The discoveries of Professor Dewar and others in the direction of the higher compression and formation of liquefied air, may not yield all the seemingly impossible claims of economy and increase in the manufacture of it which some claim, but with cheap cost of producing, it will have an important effect on mining operations in future.

Electric transmission of power, where water is used to obtain that power, has the great advantage of being used for hoisting purposes, as well as heating and lighting, and the line is easily constructed and takes up very little space underground in narrow workings. As experience is gained, time will decrease the cost of this class of machinery, as the whole tendency is to make deep mining less expensive.

#### GOLD FINDS.

The marvelous has ever been attractive to mankind in all ages and countries, and of notable things there are some things of an unnatural or unusual character that find believers. There are but few persons compared with the many, who have not been imposed on through their credulity. When in the line of their interests people are easily led to believe what is contrary to the ordinary laws of nature and of common experience.

Nothing of a material character has been so exaggerated as the richness of gold discoveries, and people generally are disposed to regard every new report as veritable. If all the gold finds which have been reported within the last few years had turned out to be one-tenth as rich as at first represented, the great want today would have been for storage room for gold products. Indeed, gold would have become so abundant that long ago the Rothschilds and their satellites would have had it demonetized. To have had the usual percentage coined would have made money too plentiful and cheap to suit the views of the money changers.

In pursuit of deposits of the precious metals, gold in particular, the imagination is apt to outrun the judgment. It has been so always, and it is presumable that it will continue to be so, and disappointments without number do not seem to create an equipoise of the two elements of the human mind. Gold bears a conspicuous place in nations of which

there is any authentic history, and has been a stimulant to more reckless and persistent energy than any other material object.

Created gold has a limit, and, so far as known, the process of creation has been in disuse and idle since the first preserved record of man's existence was made. The gold fields of Ophir, Ormuz and of all Asia and Europe have been practically exhausted. Those of the Americas have been largely exploited and many of them have been abandoned. With the energy, science and skill now employed in extracting gold from the earth, it cannot be long before all that is practically attainable will have been procured. It is true there are fields that have not yet been thoroughly explored but they are comparatively limited in area, and there will be new finds repeatedly promulgated with the usual exaggerations.

Of all the gold produced from the earliest historical date, but \$4,000,000,000 exist in coin and bullion devoted to monetary uses, according to accredited statisticians. How much there is in ornaments and otherwise no statistician seems to have undertaken to find out. Its consumption is immense in the arts and manufactures, dentistry alone consuming a large quantity, and much is lost through wear, on land and in the sea.

As a high value is put upon gold and maintained by coinage laws and the compulsion placed upon the Bank of England by act of Parliament, to purchase all gold offered to it at a price closely corresponding to its coinage value, relieves it from the fluctuations attending every other commodity, and clothes it with unusual attractiveness, and causes pursuit of it with restless and persistent energy. It will hold sway over all other commodities so long as the exclusive privileges conferred upon it enable it to yield a margin above the cost of production. And so long as this continues there will be finds of imaginary richness, and people will believe what is reported and be victimized through their credulity.

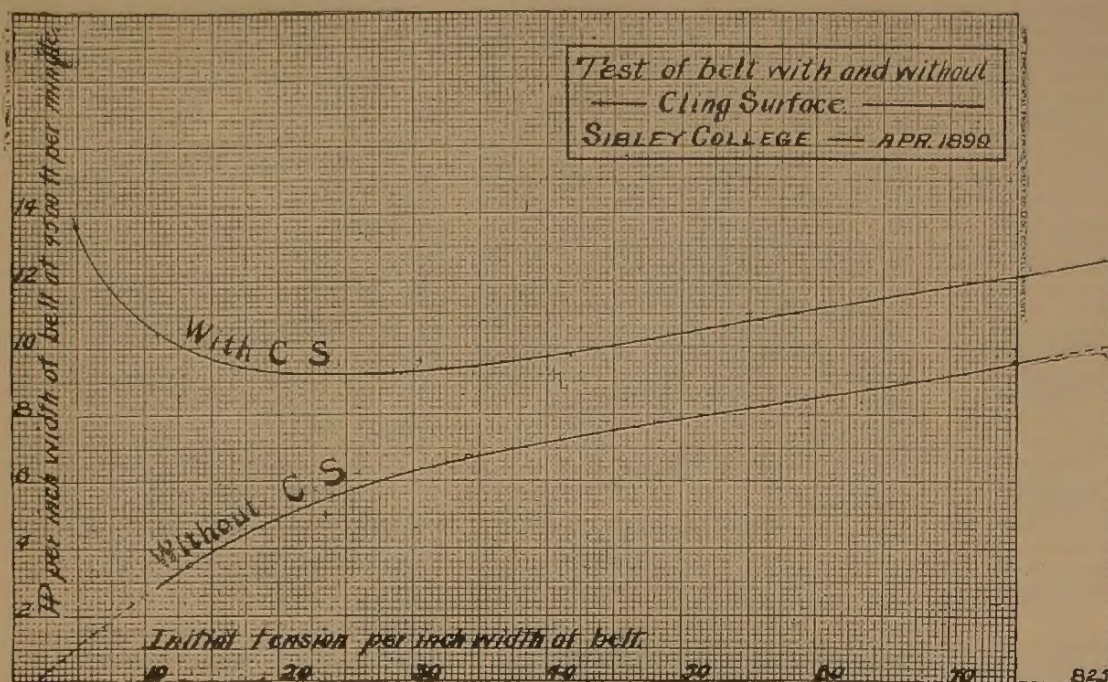
The same energy would be displayed in silver mining were silver given the same privileges as are accorded to gold in mintage. Silver is put to larger uses in the arts and manufactures than gold, but it exists in larger quantities, and for that reason bears a less price through the operation of the law of supply and demand. Being of less value and not so highly esteemed, reports of rich discoveries are not so exciting.

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A TEST ON CLING-SURFACE.

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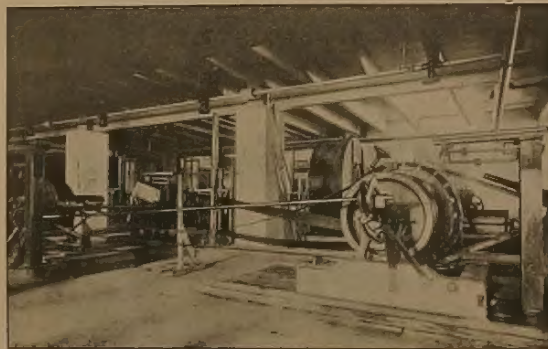
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The belts before testing were in every case clean and in good condition and running under rather better than average conditions. The Cling-Surface was applied on several successive days and in small quantities in accordance with the directions supplied by the manufacturers before commencing the test. The material was almost wholly absorbed at the time of starting the test, and none has since been



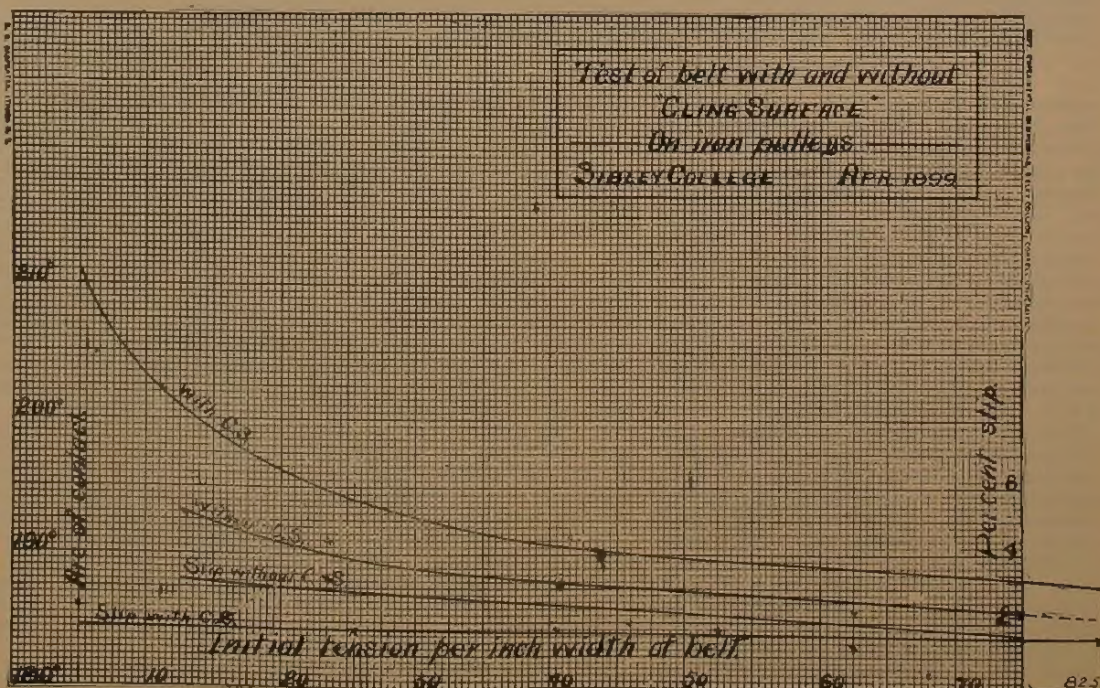
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applied. The material made the belt soft and pliable and gave it an inner surface somewhat resembling patent leather. The surface was only in the least degree sticky to the touch.

The general results of the tests with Cling-Surface show an increased transmitting power as compared with the same belt in an untreated condition; it also shows an increased arc of contact, and very much less slip. It shows a very high transmitting power when the belt is run extremely loose or with very little tension on the pulleys, the reverse of which is true with the untreated belt. It is shown by the report that the greatest transmission capacity for the belt treated with Cling-Surface was found when there was the least possible tension on the belt and when the belt was running so slack that

the sides nearly touched. It will be noted also that as the tension of the belt was increased the transmitting capacity diminished until a tension of about 20 pounds per inch of width of belt was reached, after which the transmitting capacity commenced to increase and from that point continued to increase with increase of tension.

In the test of the same belt not treated with Cling-Surface the results were quite different inasmuch as the capacity with very light tensions was practically nothing and the capacity increased as the tension increased; at no point, however, did the untreated belt have even approximately the same capacity as the treated belt with the same tension, and





moreover the treated belt transmitted much more power with a very light tension than the untreated belt with a heavy tension. The test with the belts treated and untreated running on wooden pulleys showed essentially the same characteristics. The general effect of the Cling-Surface appears to enable the belt to transmit a power equal to its entire capacity without producing heavy stresses on the driving boxes of the pulleys, or in other words it doubles the full capacity of the belt to be obtained for transmitting power when the belt is so loose that the sides nearly touch.

The general results of the tests of the untreated and treated belts when running on iron pulleys is shown in the accompanying diagrams. In upper diagram the horizontal distances show the tension on the belt in pounds per inch of width, the vertical distances show the horse power transmitted per inch of width of belt for a speed of 4500 ft. per minute. The lower line represents the results obtained with the untreated belt; the upper line the results obtained with the treated belt. It will be noted that the lower line continually rises, showing an increase in capacity with an increase in tension; the upper line descends at first, showing a decrease in

transmitting power which is greater than that produced by the increase of pressure due to the increased tension on the belt. With the untreated belt such change is very slight, and consequently a falling off in carrying capacity for light tension takes place.

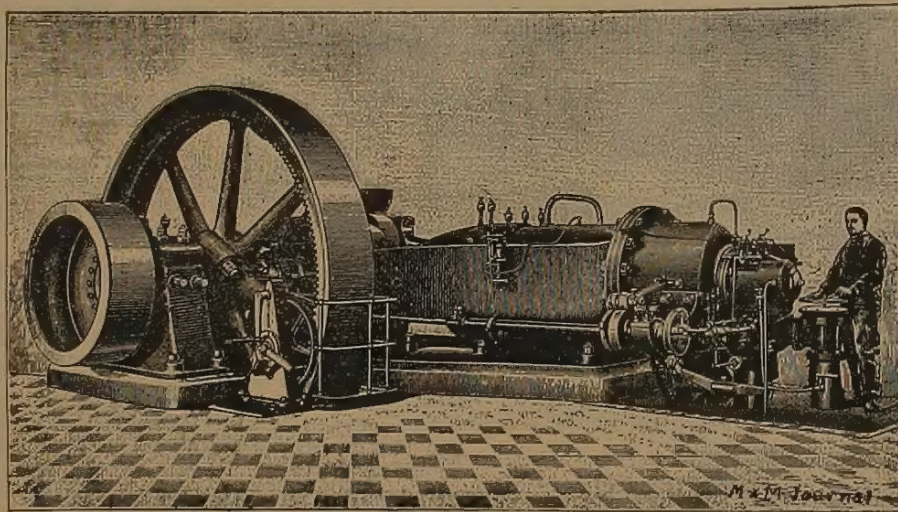
In regard to the question raised as to the preservative qualities of Cling-Surface and to the permanency of the effect produced by its application the writer would say that our tests have of necessity been of too short duration to give conclusive answers. The general effect of the Cling-Surface is to soften the belt and to put it apparently in the best condition for transmitting power and retaining its good qualities. The surface produced by the Cling-Surface remains apparently unchanged after several weeks of use, and the inference to be drawn is that the material has an effect which continues permanent for some time at least.

A fuller report containing the complete data of all the tests will be sent to you as soon as the entire results obtained have been computed.

Very respectfully,

R. C. CARPENTER,

Prof. of Experimental Engineering.



GAS ENGINE USING BLAST FURNACE GASES.

capacity with increase in tension, and later rises. In no place does the transmitting capacity of the treated belt fall below that of the untreated belt. In comparing the respective results it will be noted that the treated belt has a carrying capacity of 15.8 horse power when the tension per inch of width is 5 pounds, while for the same conditions the untreated belt has no carrying capacity; furthermore, it is noted that the carrying capacity of the treated belt even at this low tension, is nearly 40 per cent higher than that of the untreated belt even when the tension has been increased to 60 pounds per inch of width of belt. The lower plate shows the arc of contact and the maximum percentage of slip for belts run both in the treated and untreated condition with different tensions and iron pulleys. From this it is seen that the slip of a treated belt is much less and the arc of contact greater for a given total tension than with the untreated belt.

The falling off in carrying capacity with increase of belt tension for treated belt is doubtless due to the rapid change in the arc of contact, which diminishes with increase of tension. This causes a diminution in the

#### UTILITY OF BLAST FURNACE GAS.

In our issue of November 1st and November 15th, 1898, we published articles on Blast Furnace Gas and the uses to which this gas could be put.

Efforts to use this gas date back only a few years, but is at the same time attracting much attention of scientists and owners of blast furnaces. It was first used for fuel under steam boilers, but experiments with small gas engines showed the possibility of running large gas engines with a capacity equal to that of steam engines. When a blast furnace is run in connection with a mine producing iron ore, the gas could be made to generate power to run an air compressor, thereby operating the compressed air drills in the mine, as well as furnishing power to the hoisting machinery to deliver ore to surface.

In foreign countries this economical use of a formerly wasted by-product in smelting iron ore has been adopted on a larger scale than is at present noticeable in the United States.

In France blast furnace gases are becoming more generally understood, and recent experiments, carried on by noted authorities on

the subject, have brought out numerous important items of interest and special features in gas engines. The experiments of Mr. Witz, as described in *L'Eclairage Electrique*, are of interest, and the figures given by him furnish a good insight to the enormous waste of this gas at the present time:

"A hundred ton furnace, for instance, wastes about 2000 h. p. in the gases, part of which is used for auxiliary machinery, leaving, however, an enormous amount which is absolutely wasted and could be utilized. Furnaces of 150 to 200 tons capacity are not rare, there being one in America using even 700 tons every 24 hours, in which the material for combustion is reduced to three-quarters of a ton per ton of iron. A thermic balance sheet is given in which the heat units for 24 hours have been worked out, which shows that the charge of about 92,000 kg. of coke contains 629 million heat units, to this must be added 416 million which is recovered from the re-heaters, making a total of 1,045 million. That consumed by the chemical reactions in the furnace amount to 182 million; that utilized for re heating 473 million; that utilized for the production of steam 50 million, leaving 340 million calories, or over half that in the coke, as wasted energy escaping with the gases. The portion which develops steam for the engines is utilized very uneconomically at the rate of at least 22 cu. m. of gas per indicated h. p. hour, which is at the rate of only about 3 per cent efficiency. With the aid of gas engines only about 3.5 cu. m. of these gases is required per h. p. hour, and at this rate, if the gases now used in the boilers are consumed in gas engines instead, the horse power obtained would be 2381, instead of 380, as at present with steam engines. This would involve the use of very large gas engines, which have heretofore been considered impracticable, but they are now being built for 200 and even 500 h. p., the latter with double cylinders being readily increased to 1000 h. p. An engine for 180 h. p. at 87 per cent ignitions is shown in the adjoining illustration, which will give idea of the size.

The diameter is 800 mm., the stroke one meter and the speed 105 revolutions; it appears that there is one ignition for every four movements of the piston. It has run continuously for 120 hours without a single premature ignition. The tests made were made by that writer himself, who is an authority. It is proposed to use the remaining 1900 h. p. from a hundred ton furnace to operate the dynamos of a central station for distributing the power. A group of such furnaces is therefore quite as valuable a source of power as a large waterfall. It is even argued that when these gases are utilized the iron produced by the furnaces may be considered as a mere by-product.

The greatly extended use of compressed air appliances has created a positive demand for efficiency and maximum economy in the design and construction of air compressing machinery, among the manufacturers of which the Clayton Air Compressor Works, with offices at 26 Cortland street, New York City, N. Y., rank with the first. This company have recently issued their Catalogue, No. 10, containing seventy pages, and printed on heavy callendered half-tone paper. The catalogue contains much useful information regarding air compressors, together with numerous tables as to the transmission and capacity of air pressures lost by air compressors in operation at different altitudes above sea level.



## ANTHRACITE COAL IN PERU.

(BY WILLIAM GRIFFITH, C. E., SCRANTON, PA.)  
(Continued from our issue of May 15th, 1899.)

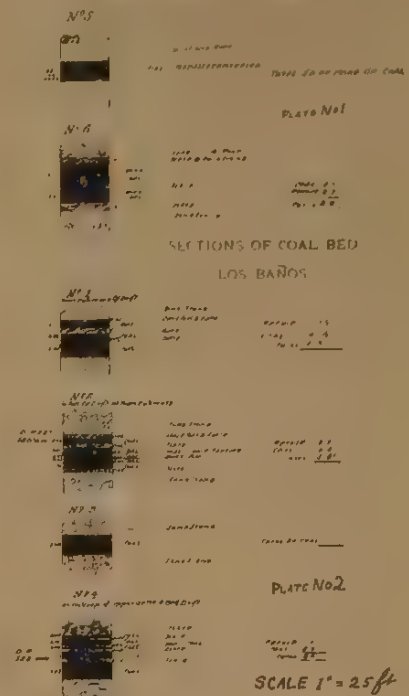
## COAL FIELDS.

The formation containing the coal beds which occur in this territory is the one described above as a light gray altered sandstone, to be found 1,000 or 2,000 feet under the limestone referred to before. We would therefore expect to find outcrops of coal where the anticlinals or saddles are of sufficient prominence to raise this formation to the surface, and the coal beds to be in condition for economical mining where the volcanic action was so slight that the stratification is not too much distorted or broken, thus allowing the coal beds to exist in a normal condition, free from the faulting and crushing which would result from fierce volcanic disturbance.

There were two principal regions examined. The one which we shall, for the purposes of this paper, call the Northern or Tuco Field, is located in the northern part of the Department of Cajamarca, about fifty miles north of the ancient Inca city of the same name. The other, about 100 miles south of the first, in the Department of Libertad, which we will denominate the Southern or Chicama Field. To reach the northern field we start from the port of Pacasmayo, on the Pacific Coast, with half a dozen saddle mules and a dozen pack donkeys laden with our provisions, tents, tools, etc., and travel inland about 100 miles, ascending and crossing the Andean plateau and continental divide at an elevation of 13,000 feet to the town of Hualgayoc, which is located in the bottom of a deep valley about six miles to the eastward of the crest of the divide. This town, an ancient and curious one, is the center of a large silver mining region, and the valley is watered by a small mountain torrent flowing eventually to the Amazon, and is enclosed on one side by a high, precipitous mountain of beautifully stratified limestone of recent age, containing numerous fossil oyster or other recent shells. The eastward dipping outcrop of this limestone was crossed by the trail several miles before the summit of the divide was reached. The other side of the valley is formed by two large mountains of trachyte, which compose part of an immense upheaval or dike of volcanic rock which extends 20 or 30 miles and forms the Hualgayoc mineral belt, from

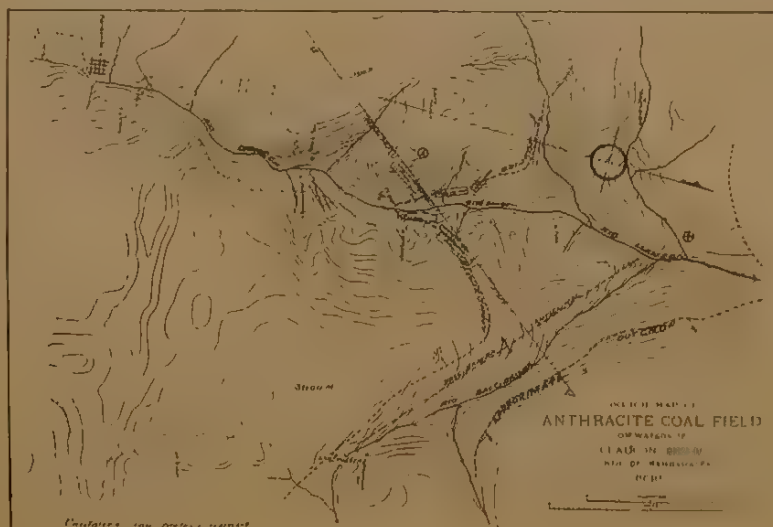
which silver, copper and other metals have been mined for years by the present inhabitants and their ancestors of the Inca race. From Hualgayoc, we traveled northward down the valley of the stream, which soon unites with Rio Llacon, a branch of the Marañon, which latter forms the source of the main trunk of the Amazon River system. We continue down the Llacon for about 30 miles, the main trail leading now along the bottom of the narrow valley, and now winding over or round the precipitous mountain ledge. After leaving the igneous rocks of Hualgayoc, our journey lies almost the whole distance over the recent limestone formation previously mentioned, which dips southwestward at an inclination of about 25°, and is evidently of enormous thickness. We, however, eventually, pass below it and our route extends over several miles of the red and buff shales and gray sandstone with an occasional seam of black fire-clay or slate, all dipping southwestward conformably with the limestone. We now find ourselves high on the precipitous mountain side above the river, and we descend by a steep and dangerous trail about 3,000 feet to the bottom of the valley. While passing down we note that the mountain sides are now composed of a fine grain light gray altered sandstone or quartzite, very hard and very regularly stratified, all dipping about 22° southwesterly. It is near the base of this mountain, about 600 feet above the stream, that we find exposed in the cliffs three beds of fine anthracite coal. This locality is known locally as Los Baños, on account of the warm or hot alum springs which are found at the base of the mountain, formerly doubtless used as a bathing spring. The coal beds are about 50 feet apart, and are respectively 5½, 3 and 6½ feet in thickness, having about the same proportion of slate and interstratified refuse as is common in our Pennsylvania anthracite. The sections of these seams, as measured in some old openings cut in the seam years ago, which are still accessible, are shown on the Plate No. 2. Other exposures were subsequently noted in the cliffs across the river, a mile distant, which were also measured and are represented in Plate No. 1. They are doubtless continuations of the same beds. The coal can only be seen where naturally exposed in the nearly vertical cliffs or washouts along the stream, since the tropical foliage is very dense, and no attempt at prospecting has ever been made. An examination of the topography

SECTIONS OF TWO COAL BEDS ON EAST SIDE OF C. ACUT.



and geology of the vicinity resulted in the following facts:

About two miles further down the Llacon River, another stream, known as the Balci-bamba, unites with it, flowing in from the southeastward through a deep valley. The mountains on each side of these two valleys are formed by the thick sandstones of the coal measures, causing high, precipitous cliffs. All the measures to the southward are noted to dip to the southwest, while those forming the northward side of the Balci-bamba Valley dip to the northeast, thus disclosing the fact that the valley of the Balci-bamba now follows the axis of an immense anticlinal, the crest of which has been eroded so that the bottom of the valley is now composed of a series of softer red and buff shales and broken sandstone which underlie the quartzite containing the coal. While these coal-bearing sandstones on either side of the anticlinals seem to be very regularly disposed as to strike, dip, stratification, and not much disturbed by volcanic influences, the softer measures underlying them along the anticlinal appear to be disrupted, upturned and much more contorted, which would seem to point to the anticlinal valley of the Balci-bamba as the center line of greatest disturbance in this immediate vicinity. Standing on a prominence in the valley, the beautifully stratified and regularly dipping rocks of the coal measures may be seen forming the cliffs and mountain tops as far as the eye can reach on either side. We followed the trail leading up the valley of the Balci-bamba for 15 miles or thereabout, passing eventually above the sandstone of the coal measures to the rocks of the overlying limestone. Other exposures of coal were noted along the trail; those near to the center of the anticlinal being much disrupted and crushed, while those located further away from the line of disturbance were in much better condition, the coal apparently being of good quality and the bed regular. It must be evident that if these coal beds are as continuous in the measures of the Andes Mountains as coal seams usually are in other





parts of the world, that here is a vast coal field with outcrops flanking the mountains for 15 or 20 miles or more on both sides of the Balciamba and the Llacon Valleys, and even extending southwestward in the direction of the anticlinal to or across the Maricon River. So far, our investigation has discovered that this coal field would be composed of two parallel basins extending northwest and southeast, separated by the anticlinal of the Balciamba Valley. The one basin dipping to the northeast for an unknown distance under the mountain, and perhaps having its northern margin somewhat near the junction of the Llacon and Maricon Rivers. The other basin dipping to the southwest under the limestone measures forming the continental divide between Hualgayoc and the town of Chota. Future explorations may discover its southwestern outcrop 20 miles or more distant on the Pacific slope near the headwaters of the Rio Chancay. In some parts of this latter outcrop, however, fierce volcanic action has prevailed which would tend to seriously affect the economic value of the coal seams.

So far as we know at the present time, no economical coal beds have been uncovered as yet on the Pacific slope in this northern field. At the southernmost point, where our trail crossed the outcropping measures on the Pacific side, indications of coal were prospected, but as the region was much disturbed by the eruptive rocks, the prospect was found to be worthless.

As before stated, the coal-bearing quartzite at Los Banos are about 3,000 feet thick, whereas the coal beds mentioned are found near the bottom part of these measures, and the 2,000 feet of overlaying rock were not examined. There is, therefore, a possibility of the existence of other economical beds higher in the measures, which would be revealed by careful prospecting. The country is very sparsely inhabited by a few natives to whom the coal is of no use. They, therefore, attach no more value to it than to the other rocks of the mountains, and have accordingly made no attempt to uncover the coal. Exposures, therefore, are few.

As to the quality of the coal in this northern region, we refer to the Analysis No. 1 below. We may say that the sample from which this analysis was made consisted of a number of pieces from all the openings in Veins No. 2 and No. 3 at Los Banos. These were the only ones which furnished proper samples for analysis, and while we had no opportunity to make a proper sample from the total height of the bed, still, this analysis will probably furnish a fair criterion in which to judge the quality of this coal.

## ANALYSIS NO. 1.

Water.....	1.450
Volatile matter.....	5.633
Fixed carbon.....	83.620
Sulphur.....	554
Ash.....	8.743
	100.000
Specific gravity.....	1.62

We would call attention to the high specific gravity of this coal. The anthracite coal of the Wyoming and Lackawanna Valleys in Pennsylvania would average about 1.5 specific gravity, whereas, this coal, as determined by Mr. McCreath, and also as determined by us, runs from 1.62 to 1.65 specific gravity, which is a very good feature, indeed. We regard the anthracite of this northern coal field, as

far as we have been able to judge, equal to the average anthracite of Pennsylvania, as will be shown by analysis No. 1 by Mr. McCreath of Harrisburg.

(To be Continued.)

## CORRESPONDENCE

## MASSACHUSETTS.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

BOSTON, May 20, 1899.

EDITOR JOURNAL: After several weeks of lassitude, culminating in a severe drop in prices, on the announcement of Ex-Governor Flower's death, the stock market has again taken on an upward swing. During this period of falling prices in the New York and Boston markets, copper stocks have held stronger than any other securities, although the trading in these stocks has been light. The financing of the Amalgamated Company stocks seemed to bring speculation in other specialties almost to a stand-still, but now that the New York banks have announced their willingness to accept Amalgamated as collateral, the tone of the whole copper share market has been changed. We look for a very active and rising copper market this summer, and believe that other cities besides Boston will take a stronger interest in this metal than ever before. A good deal of trading is being done in copper shares in New York and to some extent also in Philadelphia. Boston has a new favorite in the shape of Missouri and Kansas Lead and Zinc mines, and a good deal of money has been invested in these securities.

The Bald Butte Mining Company of Montana, the stock of which is held quite largely in Boston, has just declared its regular monthly dividend of 3 per cent and an extra dividend of 3 per cent. This makes the third double dividend in five months, or 22 per cent on the entire capital stock in that period. The writer is well acquainted with the owners and managers of this wonderful little gold property, and recommends it as an example for other mining companies to follow. The management is extremely conservative, and is largely responsible for the wonderful success of the mining operations carried on. The capitalization is modest, consisting of only 250,000 shares, having a par value of \$1. During the last seven years, the surprising total of \$700,000 in dividends has been declared. Ore is constantly kept blocked out three years ahead of the capacity of the twenty stamp mill. Nothing succeeds like success.

ROBERT S. BECKFORD.

Stock Broker, 60 State street.

## Workshops of C. L. Berger &amp; Son.

BOSTON, May 4, 1899.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—It was recently my good fortune to inspect the workshops of C. L. Berger & Sons, successors to Buff & Berger, instrument-makers of Boston, having the senior member of the firm as a guide. The recent boom in mining properties has taxed their facilities, ample though they are, to the utmost.

One of the most interesting exhibits in the whole establishment is the juxtaposition of two such celebrated instruments as the Temple and the Wurdemann automatic circle-dividing engines, each of which, if it has an equal, has no superior in this country or in the world. Each instrument, built by a mas-

ter-workman of the craft, represents twenty years of continuous labor or \$20,000 in cash. On these engines have been graduated the circles of some of the most celebrated astronomical instruments of the great observatories.

Many of the tools and instruments in use were designed by Mr. C. L. Berger himself, notably that by which he obtains the focal length of an object glass and marks the cross-wire diaphragms so that the value of the cross-wires is constant in all their instruments, whether used for studio work or for astronomical observations.

The enlargement of their workshops, the increase of their working force, and the addition of valuable machinery, has been made to meet the increasing demand for their instruments.

April 29th of the present year they celebrated the completion of the instrument numbered 3,000 by a banquet attended by their whole force.

Mr. Berger's two sons, who have recently joined the firm, have received their technical education in the best schools and workshops in this country and in Europe, and bring youthful zeal, enthusiasm, and, as one might say, inherited skill to the business, which bids fair to maintain for the firm the position of leaders—*facile principes*.

Yours truly,

JOHN N. MCCLINTOCK, C. E.

## UTAH.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, May 19, 1899.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—Although displaying fair activity, the mining share market this week was not characterized by vigorous up movements, and as a general thing lacked buoyancy and snap. Operations in the various mining camps are progressing vigorously, however, and probably the amount of work being done surpasses all previous records. The dividend payers have made their usual distributions of earnings and these stocks hold their figures firmly. Already in May, the sum of \$12,500 in dividends has been paid. This amount should be largely increased within the next two months, when two or three more payers will re-enter the list. As was the case last week, good support developed on nearly all weakenings.

For no good reason, Ajax lost considerable strength and sold off to the \$1.50 mark. A strengthening followed, however, and the stock closes in better tone. The mines are reported to be looking very well, and the stock is proving very attractive to investors. The management of the Alice has decided to push its search for copper ore. Already some copper is showing in one of the mines. The stock did practically nothing. Bullion Beck paid its May dividend on the 15th. Holders of the stock made no concessions after the dividend went off and quotations remained firm.

Very little was done in Centennial-Eureka. Buyers and sellers both refused to make concessions, and quotations remained unchanged. The mines are looking very well. The tanks at the Chloride Point mill are being filled with ore, and by the first of the month operations should be in full swing. The stock was dull again, but at present figures it looks like a buy, for a turn, at least. On very limited business, Daly sold off somewhat. No change occurred at the properties. It is now expected that the general movement of ore from the Daly-West will commence about



June 1st, in which event a great shipping record may be looked for. The stock was only fairly active, at last week's figures. There seems to be nothing in the market presenting greater possibilities than Daly-West. Dalton & Lark was fairly active at slightly better figures. This stock should see higher quotations during the life of the option. The first clean up under the new management is just being made at the Daisy mill, but it will be two weeks yet before any accurate report of conditions as they now exist can be prepared. Expenses are being greatly reduced and it is to be hoped that the company will soon be placed upon a much improved footing. The old management left the company in debt \$4,000. The stock was held at about last week's figures. It is reported that insiders were among the purchasers. One director has 10,000 shares which cost him 62½ cents per share. Eagle & Blue Bell was again lower. The recently encountered seam of \$100 ore has not yet widened out, but development work is progressing steadily. On reports of another strike, Emerald sold up to 17 cents, but lost some of its new strength under heavy selling.

## Miscellaneous Mining News.

### ARIZONA.

#### Copper Chief Mines.

Some three years ago Arthur Hendey, an old Colorado mining and mining machinery man, purchased the Copper Chief group of mines near Jerome, Arizona, and commenced development work upon them when he was stopped by some parties who had adverse claims against the property. The group has been tied up ever since by litigation, and nothing has been done in the way of developing the claims. A decision in favor of Mr. Hendey has been rendered and the property will soon be in operation again.

The Copper Chief is situated about five miles from Jerome, where the great United Verde group of mines are located. Not much development work has been done upon them, but if indications count for anything, the property will return large profits to the happy owner who is a thorough mining man and has the backing of some of Colorado's best known capitalists.

Some of the finest specimens of copper ore ever brought in from the Dragoons was recently brought to the office of the Copper King Co. This ore carries a high grade of copper the azurite and malachite incrustations, with deep blue and green native carbonates of copper are shown. The ore comes from the company's mines at Barrett and is much sought after as cabinet specimens. The company apparently has plenty of it, as the extent of the recent strike has not yet been determined.—*Tombstone Prospector*.

Three shifts are sinking the Tennessee shaft three feet per day. They are now at the 300-foot level, and drift both ways on the ore at that level has commenced. Everything is ore and its size is not known. The new cage is being put in above the mill, and after it is in place the 120-ton concentrator will run night and day.—*Our Mineral Wealth*.

A preliminary mining deal of unusual interest and magnitude has just been initiated on a valuable and well known group of copper properties on Pinto creek, belonging to W. T. McNelly, Con Crowley, Al Sicher and

Dan R. Williamson. The properties embrace seven claims and are bonded to eastern parties for a fair price says the *Prescott Herald*.

Under the terms of the bond development work must commence within thirty days, and the first payment on the property is to be made within four months. There is good prospect that work will be pushed energetically and the deal closed as contemplated in the bond, in which event another magnificent producer will be thrown open to the world.

### CALIFORNIA.

#### AMADOR COUNTY.

The Spagnoli mine at Clinton is running in earnest. The gallows frame is of 12x18 inch timbers and is forty feet high. The perpendicular two-compartment shaft is already down forty feet and eight sets of timbers are already in. The timber used is 14x14 inch, with eight inch corner blocks.

S. E. Thornton, who has had charge of the working of the old dumps on the Empire mine at Plymouth, has bonded a mine on the ranch of George Easton and is erecting a hoist and such other machinery as is necessary for the thorough prospecting of the property.

Report has it that some rich ore has been encountered in the north drift on the 100-foot level of the Allison mine.—*Ledger*.

#### CALAVERAS COUNTY.

A mining deal has been consummated in San Andreas during the week that has attracted more than usual attention. It involves the reorganization of the Fellowcraft mine, sometimes known as the Lively mine, near town. Persons who ought to know consider the Fellowcraft a rich property with an assured future. Considerable work has been done and a ten-stamp mill is completed.

On account of a singular accident to the hoisting engine at the Utica mine in the early part of May operations at the mill were suspended for a couple of weeks. The skip becoming jammed when being lowered, dropped upon the drum of the hoist, necessitating a new hoist, which will be put in place as soon as possible. The loss to the Utica Company will amount to a large sum, considering the cost of repairs and loss resulting from the inability to operate the mill.

#### EL DORADO COUNTY.

An Eastern firm has purchased the interest of Colonel E. A. Head in the Blue Gouge mine, and it is the intention of the new company to commence active operations on the property immediately. The first work to be done will be the driving of a new tunnel, considerably lower and farther to the north than the present developments. Should the ore pay shoot continue to this level, as they are confident it will, they purpose erecting a five-stamp mill for prospecting only, after which a mill commensurate with this immense body of ore will be erected. Edward Bird, who is to superintend operations, sent two men to extend tunnel No. 4 100 feet farther.

The Dench and Craddock two-stamp mill, just at the edge of town, was started up last week. They have nearly 100 tons of high-grade ore on the dump.

#### KERN COUNTY.

The purchase was completed May 23rd by which the Little Butte Co. of Randsburg, Cal., secured control of the Butte mine for \$50,000. They have also under bond the Jo-

hannesberg Water Co.'s plant. It is their intention to erect a 20 stamp mill immediately. The Butte mine has produced about \$100,000 in the past year, so that the purchase is considered a bargain.

Business is active on the Sunset oil wells. In the past two weeks another well has been sunk to a depth of 700 feet. This touches the oil stratum.

Indications are that a few feet farther and a bountiful flow will be reached. The flowing well struck some time ago continues its good work without showing the least sign of weakening. Good news comes in from other fields where operations are going on.

The Kern county oil fields are beginning to attract wide attention.

The Buckboard mine, owned by Donovan, Matheson and Adams, is showing up in great shape. The ledge reaches a width of fifteen feet at places and all horns. The deepest shaft is 135 feet and drifts are now on each side. The boys have considerable ore on the dump and are developing all the time. They talk a little of putting in a mill of their own if further development maintains the present favorable outlook.

#### Garlock.

Mr. Longsway is down 70 feet on his ledge at Upper Goler, with fair prospects and good ore.

Hall and Tittle are down almost 100 feet in their Sand Canyon ledge and will soon be feeding their cyanide plant on that kind of material.

P. Cudahy and several others are doing well dry washing at Mesa Springs.

Andy Bland has bought the Spangler Bros. mill at Garlock and moved it to Garden Station, to use for custom work.

O. Castro will move to Kane Springs this week, where he has a good placer mine.

The Lee copper mines have been bonded to S. Swayer and Mr. Harker for a nominal price.

#### LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Mr. Geo. Rubich is putting up a cyanide plant on Arrastra creek on the Melrose ranch near Acton.

A San Francisco company is going to reopen the old copper mine at Acton. In 1863 some very rich copper ore was taken out of this mine, and there was nearly \$3,000 worth of fine machinery put in the bottom that is there yet, covered up with about 150 feet of water.

The following delegates were elected to represent the Cedar mining district at the Miners' Convention, which was held in the Chamber of Commerce in Los Angeles on the 29th of April: Hon. Henry T. Gage, Hon. S. M. White, Hon. George J. Denis, Dr. G. Gehring, N. M. Melrose, R. E. Nickel and Ed. Lyons.—*Acton Rooster*.

#### MARIPOSA COUNTY.

Articles of incorporation of the Quail Mining and Milling Company have been filed with the Secretary of State. The Board of Directors consists of N. F. Pickle, Read McCraney, A. Colby, J. C. Bunner and C. H. Teaff. The property is located in Mariposa county, and was secured from J. M. and C. P. Whitney.

#### TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

At the Mack, Big Oak Flat the main two-compartment shaft has been driven down 280 feet, with sinking going on at the rate of 15 feet per week. All work is being confined



for the present to this shaft, which will be sunk to a depth of 500 feet before any further drifting is done, although stations are being put in as each 100 is passed. The vein so far has carried an average width of 12 feet, and the ore is reported as particularly good.

Returns from the shipment of rock, 16 tons, which was sent to Selby's last week from the Vine Spring mine, have been received, showing that the ore went a trifle over \$13 per ton.—*Union Democrat*.

## COLORADO.

The Ahunde mine, near Georgetown, is rapidly coming to the front, and promises to again take its place among our greatest producers.

The strikes made some time ago in the 850 and 1000 levels have been followed by a still richer strike in the 750 level. Ore was encountered in this level the past week that reminds one of the bonanza days of the Colorado Central mine, so rich is it to the eye of the miner. Specimens of the ore at the company's office show it to be a solid streak six to eight inches in width, and composed of an intimate mixture of brown zinc blende, ruby silver, gray copper or polybasite, and galena. It contains enough of the rich silver minerals to make it mill several thousand ounces to the ton. As the ore has but just been encountered, its extent is not known.

Mr. Maxwell had a mill run from the Frostburg, near Georgetown, Colorado, a short time ago, of 24 tons of ore in two classes, which netted \$2,432.60.

A half-dozen assays were made of ore and rock from the Ona Bell lode, Argentine district, which returned from four to eight ozs. gold, and from 70 to 420 ozs. silver.

## GEORGIA.

The Dablonga Cons. Gold Mining Company, Dahlona, Ga., have given the Edward P. Allis Co. an order for a 120-stamp mill, each stamp 850 pounds weight. The mill is provided with hydraulic classifiers and thirty-six Reliance Frue Vanners, so that the pulp, after passing over three sections of copper plates, is sized in the classifiers and concentrated on the vanners.

One large Gates Crusher crushes all the ore from 120 stamps, which is distributed to the various bins by belt conveyors.

The power for the mill is derived from two 6' Pelton Water Wheels, and the vanners are driven by Pelton Water Motors. The concentrates will be conveyed by an electric trolley road to the chlorination plant, the order for which was also given to the Allis Company.

This plant is equipped with a Holtzhoff-Wetley Roasting Furnace 10'x100', having a cooling floor attached for cooling the ore after roasting and before chlorination takes place. There are two five-ton chlorinating barrels and the necessary tanks, etc., in the chlorination plant, which will treat at least thirty tons of concentrates in twenty-four hours.

The Allis Co. were also given an order for a twelve drill capacity air compressor, with all the necessary drills, tools, etc., belonging thereto. This compressor will be located in the power room of the stamp mill.

The chlorination plant is also driven by a Pelton Water Wheel.

It is expected that the two plants will be in operation by September 1st of this year.

## IDAHO.

The air compressor for temporary use at the Last Chance is now on the ground, having reached Wardner last week. It is a second hand one bought in Spokane, and will be used until the large new one, recently ordered, is ready to run.

The old air compressor which went through the Gold Hunter fire has been thoroughly overhauled and put in place. As soon as a few missing or injured parts arrive, it will be ready to run. The shaft is down about 35 feet, and some remarkably fine ore has been found in it.

A new double-decked Wilfley table is being put into the Morning mill, near Wallace, Idaho, the first one in this district, if not in the world.—*Wallace Press*.

## MICHIGAN.

The Ropes gold mine has ceased working, and Michigan's last gold mine has gone out of business.

The transfer of the Lake Superior Iron Company of its mines and property in Ishpeming and vicinity to the Oliver Mining Company was made in Boston recently. By this transaction the Oliver secures possession of one of the finest properties producing iron ore in the Michigan fields.—*Iron Ore*.

## MINNESOTA.

The Fall Lake Land Company, which controls the Copper Creek mines, which in the early days were developed by the American Fur Company, has procured a pump and other necessary tools needed for that work and will start at once to pump out the deep-shaft on the property.

It has been years since work was done there by the Astors, and the workmen that were then employed there do not have a distinct recollection of the shaft. The depth is supposed to be in the neighborhood of 130 feet, and it is known that about 260 feet of drifting was done, but at what depth is uncertain, although it was probably as far as 80 feet or more. The men that helped do the work say that they distinctly recollect cutting across masses of rock that was copper bearing, but as the owners were then looking for mass copper, no attention was paid to rock that would now be considered worth mining. In those days the company had figured on carrying the copper in wagons to the Nemadji river, ferrying it across, and then having it loaded on boats and taken East.

The Superior and Boston Company, owner of the Fond du Lac mine, now has men at work on that property doing actual development work. A great deal of blasting has been done, and some fine samples have been procured. From the indications it would seem that the vein is carried along the surface for a considerable distance, some of the best specimens Capt. Thomas has yet sent in having been procured west of the Stuart shaft. The camps are all erected for the accommodation of 25 or 30 men, and the company has sent to Michigan for a number of experienced miners to aid in the development work.

The Percival Copper Mining Company will put in steam drills at the Percival mine as soon as the machinery can be procured and placed. With this improvement, the sinking of the shaft will produce about twice as fast as at present. The shaft is now 60 feet deep, and drifting is going on.—*Duluth News-Tribune*.

About 75 to 80 cars of ore is now mined and shipped daily from three of the Consolidated mines near Hibbing, Minn. These mines are employing about 300 men and could furnish employment to nearly as many more.

An advance of 10 per cent was recently made in the pay of the surface men employed by the Consolidated Mining Company.

Four drill crews are at work on the Sheridan-d'Auremont property, at Hibbing, on which John Jones holds an option.

## MISSOURI.

An output of 122 tons of Jack was made from the Prosperity mine, and 100 tons from the Tuttle & Company mine, both on the Minor & Rogers land near Auburn, Mo.

County Collector Emry was displaying some very rich ore which was taken fourteen feet below grass roots from forty acres of land owned by the Emry estate. The land adjoins the Cholwell land on the south and is just a quarter of a mile from the city limits.

The lead strike made by Warren Armington & Co., on the Shoal Creek Mining Company's lease on Silver Creek is proving extra rich. A. P. Clark, one of the owners of the lease, says that from a drift started recently on the sixty-foot level 5,000 pounds of lead was taken out in the afternoon. The mineral is found in great chunks, and some miners who have seen the Wonderful Eight mine at Saginaw, say this shows up bigger and richer than that wonderful producer.—*Joplin Sunday Herald*.

## MONTANA.

A deal was closed this week whereby M. J. Garrity and Charles Barthof gave a bond to a Chicago syndicate on their properties near Homestake for \$10,000. The property is one on which the owners have done considerable work and from which some good ore has been shipped. In the generally increased inquiry for mining properties, the Homestake range is attracting a share of attention, as it certainly deserves to do. There are several active development propositions now being successfully worked in that range. The Chicago parties, represented by Mr. Highland, have taken hold with a vim. Mr. Tremain, the inventor of the Tremain mill, is said to be demonstrating the statement that his mill is especially adapted to the treatment of the ore of the Homestake district.

The Minnesota Standard Mining Company, operating at Marysville, has let a contract to Butte parties for a 300-foot extension of the tunnel in the Omaha lode. This tunnel is being run on a ledge, improving as depth is attained, and the company is confident the completion of this work will furnish a paying mine.

A rich strike is reported on the 50-foot level of the Bamboo Chief mine, one mile west of Virginia City. Assays of ore extracted from a vein varying in width from 15 to 20 inches shows returns of \$1,500 per ton. The lessees, John Devlin and Charles Grove, intend to utilize the Largey mill, located a short distance from the mine, for the purpose of working the ore.—*Helena Independent*.

## NEVADA.

The Green plant is running on tailings from the Wide West mill at Aurora, Nevada, which are quite rich.

Mr. Champion, Vice President of the Vul-



can Mining Company, accompanied by three mining men, visited the mines near Soda, Nevada, recently. Reports from the mines are favorable. A carload of miners' implements for this company reached Soda last week. About 20 men are employed.

A. W. Curtis returned to Star last week. He says the mines there are all looking well. Ross Condon has a lease on the Fottler and is taking out lots of pay ore. The Hardscrabble, Bounce and Duke are regular producers. —*Walker Lake Bulletin.*

## NEW MEXICO.

Output of Hillsboro gold mines for the week ending Thursday, May 18, 1899, as reported for the *Advocate*:

	TONS
Wicks.....	20
K. K. ....	15
Richmond.....	35
Snake Group.....	65
Opportunity.....	20
Sherman.....	5
Cincinnati.....	10
Trippe.....	55
Rex (silver-lead).....	5
Eureka.....	10
Freiburg.....	10
American.....	15
Warren.....	20
Happy Jack.....	10
Black Diamond.....	10
Total.....	305

Total output since January 1, 1899—5,620.

One of the richest strikes in Hillsboro district is that at present being developed at the Lookout mine, on Trojillo Creek, owned by Hon. J. M. Webster and Col. J. P. Parker, and the owners and several leasers thereon will certainly become very rich men. About four tons of the ore sampled here at Aloys Preisser's laboratory during the week yielded the astonishing values of 9,000 ozs. silver and 23 ozs gold per ton. The vein from which this ore is taken is said to be fully two feet wide, the ore being a gold and silver tellurium. As a consequence the wildest excitement prevails on the creek, and the whole region is being located by excited miners from the neighboring camps. A leaser named Riggins made the strike, on the surface, after prospectors had walked over it for years and left the mark of their shoe nails on the rich ledge. Robins & Hilty of Hillsboro and Knight & Slease of Lake Valley, own the extensions of the bonanza vein, and were in ore at last accounts.

## OREGON.

E. Ridenour, a Pine creek rancher, owns the White Lily, Gold Standard, War Eagle and Oregon, about eight miles north of Ballard's Landing, all of which are splendid copper prospects, excepting the White Lily, a free milling gold proposition showing values as high as \$42.20 per ton.

In bar placer mining men are making as high as \$3 per day with crude rockers on Snake river.

It is reliably reported that Robt. Fullerton has struck a rich 16-foot ledge in the Virtue district, near Baker City, Ore.; that great excitement prevails and a big rush of prospectors is headed that way.—*Baker City Democrat.*

## SOUTH DAKOTA.

Shipments of ore will commence soon from the Cherry Gulch lode, near Nevada Gulch, S. Dak., by the lessees, D. C. Boley, W. M. Barker and associates. A shaft has been put down about 150 feet, and about 250 feet of drifting, east and west, has been done. There has been ore in one of the drifts for some time, and the best of it has been mined and stored ready for shipment. It was at first believed that the best ore shoot in the mine was a continuation of the Ben Hur ore body, but a survey shows the latter shoot to be farther to the east. A very neat hoisting plant is being used at the shaft.

The water has been pumped out of the J. J. R. shaft, and it is the intention of Mr. Crocker to commence sinking.

The water is all out of the Golden Slipper shaft, and the boys have commenced work in the mine.

An eight-foot gold-bearing ledge has been uncovered in the drift from the 460-foot level in the Sunnyside mine.

R. M. Maloney has taken an option on the Crane group of claims in Friday gulch from Joe Sharp, Byers and Pettit.

Several carpenters are at work in the Bismarck mill, and it is expected that the plant will be ready to commence crushing ore next week.

Del and Bill Canfield, who are at work on the Black Jack claim in the Burnt Fork district, have struck free gold-bearing quartz in their shaft at a depth of 40 feet.—*Black Hills Mining Review.*

## UTAH.

E. P. Jennings, late general superintendent of the Newhouse and Wier mining interests at Bingham, Utah, has been transferred to the Dragon iron mine property of the Copper Trust. The Dragon property is one of the greatest iron-gold copper mines of the world, all of the work on which through all the years has been practically confined to the surface is now being put in shape to be sunk 1,009 feet or more for the development of its copper possibilities. It is a fact not generally known that for many years the smelters of Salt Lake Valley stole the gold values contained in the iron which they purchased for flux from the owners of this property. It is proposed to extend the East Tintic railroad to the Dragon.

Messrs. Gustaldi & Co. are now working three shifts on the mine located in North Tintic. As development work progresses the ground grows richer and from all indications they will soon be classed with the great producers of the district.—*Sanb County Republican.*

## WASHINGTON.

The Republic Giant tunnel was driven about 45 feet last month, and a shaft started which at ten feet depth exposed a vein of solid quartz, fully five feet across. Work is being pushed on both tunnel and shaft.

In the North San Poil shaft the 100-foot level has been reached and drifts started both north and south in ore that will average above \$30. With the exception of a sump below the drift level, sinking will be discontinued for the present.

The Surprise is attracting the camp's attention. The average of a number of samples taken from open cut No. 3 was \$47.90.

Work has not yet commenced on the new Mountain Lion shaft, but a whim is being installed at the old shaft, which is to be sunk at once to the tunnel level.

The steam pump is in operation on the Bodie, and the shaft will be cleared of water in a day or two. The shaft is down 115 feet, and will be sunk at once to the 100-foot level, and the vein crosscut.

The Sunnyside is a claim situated on the east bank of the San Poil river and owned by the Sunnyside Gold Mining and Milling Co., a local organization. A six-foot ledge of good looking quartz crops on the claim, and ore from the ten-foot shaft assays \$7 in gold. A contract was recently let for a fifty-foot crosscut tunnel, and upon its results will depend the future exploitation of the company. —*Miner and Electrician.*

## FOREIGN MINING NEWS

### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Herewith we present our readers with the figures of the output for April. It exceeds that of April, 1898, by 1,829,839 pounds. The shipments via Nakusp have fallen off to a considerable extent owing to bad roads and the extension of development work on Slocan lake properties, the prosecution of which naturally curtails the output of ore, says the *Kootenaiian*.

Below is a list of the mines which shipped over the Kaslo & Slocan Railway during the month, together with their respective amounts:

	Pounds
Payne.....	2,705,000
Last Chance.....	960,000
Whitewater.....	525,000
Slocan Star.....	345,000
Jackson.....	218,000
Rambler.....	202,000
Dardanelles.....	40,000
Ivanhoe.....	38,000

Total.....4,033,000

This was distributed among the different smelters and ore buyers as follows:

	Pounds
Omaha.....	2,511,000
Kootenay Ore Co., Kaslo.....	732,000
Everett.....	565,000
Aurora.....	562,000
Great Falls.....	314,000
San Francisco.....	240,000

Total.....4,933,000

The total clearances of the Kaslo port on ore for April were:

Gross lbs. ore.....	4,296,800
Pounds lead.....	2,074,384
Ounces silver.....	227,800
Value.....	\$191,157

Of this amount the following is reported from the sub-port of Nakusp:

Gross lbs ore.....	120,800
Pounds lead, contents.....	46,764
Ounces silver.....	6,080
Value.....	\$5,582

The duty paid the United States Government on this amounts to \$31,115.76.

Development work on the Union Jack, located four miles west of Cranbrook near the railroad, is making a magnificent showing. A shaft ten feet deep shows a conjunction of three leads, and the owners, Messrs. Love,



## MONTANA'S MINERAL PRODUCTION

From Eugene B. Braden's report of the metals produced in Montana for the Calendar year of 1898, we take the following, copper and lead being figured from the average price of those metals during the year; copper \$12, lead \$3.78

COUNTIES	—Gold—		—Silver—		—Copper—		—Lead—		Total
	Fine ounces	Value	Fine ounces	Value	Fine pounds	Value	Fine pounds	Value	
Beaverhead	9,391.674	\$ 189,277.50	368,261.92	\$ 176,129.21	121.039	\$ 1,452.48	1,782.150	\$ 66,816.61	\$ 231,623.92
Broadwater	10,552.021	218,129.64	281,168.06	367,169.21			1,666.000	60,480.00	616,778.84
Cascade	52.910	1,091.37	3.15	4.46					1,095.83
Chouteau	1,008.663	20,818.85	130,397.96	556,174.13			3,729.168	140,962.55	718,391.54
Custer	62.206	1,285.91	10.333	13.36					1,300.27
Deer Lodge	23,504.806	485,889.33	10,732.13	13,875.88			1,000.000	37,800.00	537,565.21
Deer	6,294.608	128,198.61	271.35	350.86					128,549.47
Flint	1,522.716	31,177.33	75,239.89	97,279.86	116.604	13,992.48			117,272.34
Gallatin	8,511.411	176,008.50	1,001,116.91	1,297,347.11	55.000	6,600.00			1,474,055.61
Jefferson	10,913.572	226,223.71	1,036,889.28	1,319,621.52	17.954	2,154.48	1,249.715	50,679.03	1,377,678.74
Lewis and Clark	13,899.555	907,184.31	166,956.31	215,862.70					1,123,047.01
Madsen	17,210.616	976,550.20	111,291.95	113,896.50	20.680	2,481.60	270.477	10,224.79	1,100,663.69
Meagher	154.804	3,179.11	169,012.19	206,884.15			8,000.000	226,800.00	136,863.26
Missoula	3,066.274	63,385.51	3,122.34	4,036.96			122.681	4,637.31	7,069.78
Park	641.618	13,263.12	103.55	131.88					13,395.00
Ravalli	60.836	1,257.59	4.81	6.22					1,263.81
Silver Bow	55,343.589	1,144,058.52	8,996,553.01	11,631,909.51	216,648.077	25,997,769.24			38,773,722.27
Teton	35.463	733.09	2.53	3.30					736.39
Returns from custom smelters, mills and assay offices, impossible to classify by counties	31,471.425	650,572.09	2,171,216.99	2,807,231.07			5,758.211	217,660.37	1,671,462.43
Total	253,867.787	\$5,247,912.91	14,818,661.98	\$19,159,482.17	216,979.354	\$26,037,522.48	21,403.702	\$809,060.69	\$51,244,975.27

Hoggarth, Usher and Ryan, are feeling jubilant over the prospect. Assays at a depth of a few feet show \$25 in gold, 58 ounces silver, and values in copper ranging from 17 to 77 per cent.

The Minnehaha in Camp McKinney, B. C., is to be at once equipped with a ten-stamp mill, and is expected to be ready to operate some time in July.

Work continues on the main adit at the Velvet mine, which is to tap the ledge at a depth of 320 feet. This adit has now been driven for a distance of over 200 feet. It is expected that it will tap the ledge when it is in 400 feet. The crosscut which was recently commenced on the 250-foot level is making good progress. There is no work in progress on the 160-foot level.

## LOWER CALIFORNIA.

## More Placer Strikes.

Marvelous rich placers have been discovered at a place known as Santa Clara, on the peninsula of Lower California, about 370 miles from the boundary line between the United States and Mexico. Dry washers are used in the extraction of the gold, water being scarce, and about \$18,000 taken out in this way was sent to merchants at Guaymas, Sonora. As usual, when rich strikes in placer gold are found, many people rush to the point indicated, some of whom could not tell gold from mica, unless it was coined in money. This new field is reported to be twenty-eight miles long by fifteen wide.

## MEXICO.

President Diaz in his message says:—

"The mining industry is that which affords most evidences of rapid progress, as in the periods covered by this report 1,040 title deeds, covering 11,408 "pertenencias" of one hectare, have been issued. The total number of title deeds issued, subject to the new legislation of June, 1892, is 9,353, covering 77,774 "pertenencias" of one hectare each.

The exportation of ore has also increased to a noteworthy degree. Taking the figures recently published by the department of fin-

ance, for the seven months, July to January of the present fiscal year, it appears that the value of exportation of mineral products, metallic and non-metallic, was \$54,311,000 in round figures, showing an increase of \$1,043,000 over the value of the same products exported in the corresponding period of the previous year.

As an important event in the mining industry, I will state that the Adventurer tunnel at Batopilas, which is nearly three kilometers in length, which has been fifteen years under construction, and has cost millions of dollars, has just struck the principal lodes of the camp.

The new machinery for the Prietas mine at Parral, which has shut down for some time, is being taken up the mountain and will shortly be put in place, and work will be started up on this valuable property.

Two new smelters are to be put up at Santa Barbara, Chihuahua.

The Tecolote mine at Santa Barbara, Chihuahua, has been lighted by electricity.

O. C. Wheeler has opened a three foot vein of ore with the new shaft on the Santa Rosalia, which runs 50 ounces in silver and a strong trace in gold. The Santa Rosalia is in the outskirts of Parral and was worked by the Spaniards, but has been idle since the slump in silver.—*Chihuahua Enterprise*.

## GENERAL NEWS

Catalogue No. 14 of the Weber Gas and Gasoline Engine Co. of 434 S. W. Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo., has been received by this office. The pamphlet is published for the purpose of expounding the merits of the Weber Gas and Gasoline Engine and equipments which are so well known that mention here is unnecessary.

The Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co. has purchased the patents formerly owned by the Consolidated Pneumatic Tool Co., now defunct. These patents include all the Keller and Wolstencroft types of tool construction and in addition several new applications which have not yet been taken out. These patents originally cost the Consolidated Pneumatic Tool Co. about \$40,000.

## British Columbia's Mineral Production.

Below we publish extracts from the annual Report of the Provincial Minister of Mines for the year ending December 31st, 1898.

The output of a mine for the year has been considered that amount of ore for which the smelter or mill returns have been received during the year. This system does not give the exact output of the mine, but rather the amounts credited to the mine on the company's books during the year.

For ore shipped in December, the smelter returns are not likely to be received until February, or later, of the new year, and have, consequently to be carried over to the credit of such new year.

In the lode mine tables, the amount of the shipments are obtained from certified returns received from the various mines. In calculating the values of the products, the average price for the year of the New York Metal Market has been used as a basis in all cases. For silver 95 per cent and for lead 90 per cent of such market price has been taken. Treatment and other charges have not been deducted.

The total production for all years up to and including 1898 is:

Gold, placer	\$ 59,960,819
Gold, lode	6,501,906
Silver	9,676,901
Lead	4,049,199
Copper	1,395,841
Coal and coke	40,306,160
Building stone, bricks, etc.	1,500,000
Other minerals	26,000

Total ..... \$123,417,326  
The production for each year, from 1890 to 1898 inclusive, was:

Year	Amount
1890	\$ 2,608,803
1891	3,521,102
1892	2,978,530
1893	3,589,413
1894	4,225,717
1895	5,643,042
1896	7,507,956
1897	10,455,268
1898	10,906,861

The table below gives a statement in detail of the amount and value of the mineral prod-



ucts for 1898. Gold and silver is estimated by the ounce, copper and lead by the pound, and coal and coke at 2,240 pounds to the ton.

	Quantity.	Value
Gold, placer.....	32,167	\$ 643,346
Gold, lode.....	110,061	2,201,217
Silver.....	4,202,401	2,375,841
Copper.....	7,271,678	894,781
Lead.....	31,603,550	1,077,581
Coal.....	35,000	175,000
Other materials.....		151,500

\$10,906,861

The production of metals by the different districts and divisions for 1898 was:

Cariboo—	
Bakerville Division.....	\$94,500
Lightning Creek Division.....	37,000
Quesnellmouth Division.....	28,000
Keithly Creek Division.....	214,860

\$389,360

Cassiar District.....	\$107,300
Kootenay East, District.....	133,368
Kootenay West—	

Ainsworth Division.....	\$ 159,801
Nelson Division.....	694,880
Slocan Division.....	2,619,852
Trail Creek Division.....	2,470,811
Other parts.....	97,631

\$6,042,975

Lillooet District.....	47,814
Yale—	

Osoyoos.....	364,112
Similkameen.....	7,560
Yale.....	60,840

\$432,512

Other Districts.....	19,437
Total, All Districts.....	\$7,172,766

### DRY GOLD PLACERS.

BY PROF. GEO. H. STONE  
(Began in our issue of May 1, 1899.)

At San Pedro the lower slopes of the mountains are covered with a talus or drift composed of the rocks exposed on the mountain sides. The fragments are of all sizes, from the finest dust up to boulders. All are somewhat smoothed and rounded at the angles, but no more so than would result from their being washed down the slopes. The spaces between the large fragments are filled with a fine earthy matter that contains some lime and iron oxides and hydrates. When dry it forms a compact cement; when wet it disintegrates somewhat readily. The gold is found at one or more levels, sometimes at or near true bedrock, at other times many feet above it. It occurs in pay streaks which are usually less than a foot or two in thickness. They are narrow and seldom more than a few feet or rods in length. The drift from the mountains is of various depths up to 70 feet or more. Mining is conducted by sinking shafts about 30 feet apart (30 feet is a Mexican claim) and hoisting the dirt in a bucket. As needed, some of the dirt is dried by a fire and sampled by "dry panning." When a pay streak is found it is followed by tunnels and mined out like coal. Only the pay streak is hoisted after the shaft and tunnels are opened. The pay dirt is spread on the ground, dried, and then treated with a "dry washer." The dirt is at first screened to remove the coarser gravel. The finer dirt is then made to slide in a thin sheet over a fine inclined screen. As it passes over the screen a current of air is forced up through it by a blower. The rising air causes a boiling motion in the sliding dirt,

the gold settles on the screen where it is caught by riffles, the dust is blown away, and the coarser matter slides on as tailings. In the tailings we find many pieces composed of sand grains cemented by the earthy matter. These contain gold. The tailings will yield gold repeatedly after lying a while in the sun and rain. The earthy cement must be thoroughly disintegrated before we can get all the gold. The firmness of this cement is further shown by the fact that the shafts and tunnels are never timbered yet will remain for years before they collapse. It is hard and slow work to loosen the cement gravel with a pick and the force required to excavate it while dry is very great. Those who plan to excavate it bodily by steam shovel have proposed to first loosen the mass by blasting. There is loose gravel in the beds of the streams but it was worked out years ago. At San Pedro the Mexicans will at any time work for others at \$1.50 a day rather than dry placer for themselves. It is a risky business. It may take a month to find a pay streak and that is soon exhausted. The populations that depend on dry placers are poor.

At the Jicarillas the conditions do not differ greatly from those at San Pedro. There is a larger rainfall and more placering is done by the use of water in pans, rockers, etc. The loose gravel in the gulch channels was worked out long ago. Good gravel is found far up some of the small valleys near the outcrop of veins. The lower portions of the larger gulches towards the plains are covered with broad sheets of gravel 70 or more feet thick, containing several pay streaks at various levels. An interesting class of auriferous gravel is found alongside or near the outcrop of eruptive dikes. The dikes are capped by low ridges or flat deposits composed of fragments of the same rock as the dike, all somewhat smoothed and worn at the angles. The gold occurs as nuggets (a little rounded at the angles) on the flanks of the dikes, accompanied by many fragments of iron oxides, some of large size. This is the coarsest and heaviest gold found in the camp. Both the pay channel and the fragmental capping or breccia that covers the adjacent dikes are saturated, so to speak, with a very adhesive red earthy matter which does not disintegrate when wet except after agitation. These cement areas do not follow the gulches but they do the dikes.

The above stated facts show that in order to work the dry placers without the use of water and hydraulic giants, there is required the following:

1. To find the pay streak if it is proposed to work only the richer portions. This will require the sinking of shafts and driving of tunnels. If it is proposed to work the whole mass of gravel we will have to handle much gravel that runs little or nothing.

2. To cheaply excavate the gravel. A man who can shovel say ten cubic yards of loose gravel in a day can dig and hoist to the surface by windless a ton or less. No way is known of excavating the pay streaks in the tunnels by machinery, though the hoisting might be done by power. The cost of excavating the gravel dry will always be one of the largest items of the cost of working. The cement is very firm unless wet. When dry its resistance to pressure (as of a dredge or steam shovel) would be very great.

3. To transport the excavated gravel and properly feed it to the separating apparatus.

4. To disintegrate the gravel. Only when the gravel is separated grain from grain is the enclosed gold released, especially in case of

the layers containing the most cement. Much of the gold gathered adheres to the larger stones unless the cement is thoroughly pulverized. We do not need to crush the grains of sand and gravel, for these seldom contain gold. What is wanted is to separate the fragments one from the other. Disintegration is a part of the process neglected by most inventors. Most inventors have mixed incoherent sand from the nearest stream with gold filings and when they have invented a machine that would recover this gold dry, they fondly imagined they could work the dry placers of the arid region. In fact, the dry placers have always been a favorite field for the exploits of the mining Ananias. The outside world hears of the gold, but little or nothing of the earthy cement.

5. To separate the gold and iron oxides from the quartz and other lighter matter.

6. To separate the gold from the iron oxides. Sometimes these oxides contain gold and ought to be saved.

It is not the writer's purpose in the present paper to discuss the means of separating the gold from the gravel by dry processes, but to point out the difficulties to be overcome.

### Official Delegates Invited.

Through the State Department at Washington, one hundred and fifteen different countries, great and small, have been invited to send one delegate each to the International Commercial Congress to be held in Philadelphia in October, in connection with the National Exposition of American Manufactures for the Expansion of Export Trade. The invitations have been sent out by the Philadelphia Commercial Museum, under the auspices of which, jointly with the Franklin Institute, the Exposition will be given.

There are included in the list forty-eight mother countries, eight self-governing colonies, like Canada and the colonies of Australia; fifty-five other colonies, dependencies and protectorates; and the four new possessions of the United States. In the latter instances the invitations were sent to the Military Governors.

The Lee-Penberthy Injector Mfg. Co., of Detroit, Mich., send us the following, which is self-explanatory:

### IMPORTANT AND FINAL DECISION

In the suit by the Penberthy Injector Company to restrain us from using the name "Penberthy" in our incorporate name, and on our "Lee" injector describing Mr. Penberthy's patent, the Supreme Court of Michigan has decided for the complainant and ordered us to discontinue the use of the name "Penberthy," which order we will fully comply with, not using it in our corporate name, nor on our "Lee" injector.

In future our incorporate name will be "Lee Injector Mfg. Co."

This decision and change of name will not change the policy of our future business, nor interfere with the manufacture and sale of our "Lee" injector and other goods manufactured by us; neither will said decision interfere with or have any reference financially to any party or parties who have purchased our "Lee" injector or transacted business with the "Lee-Penberthy Mfg. Co." in the past, or who may purchase "Lee" injectors or other goods manufactured by the "Lee Injector Mfg. Co." in the future.

The decree of the Courts has no bearing on the use of the name "Penberthy" by us in the past, but rule that we must not use it in any form in the future.

We shall push our business and the sale of



our "Lee" injector in the future as we have in the past, and trust we will have and maintain the hearty co operation of all.

Yours truly, LEE INJECTOR MFG. CO.  
William O. Lee, Sec'y and Manager, Successors to Lee-Penberthy Mfg. Co. Thos. J. Sweeney, V. P., Mechanical Expert, inventor and perfecter of the Penberthy Injector.  
Detroit, Mich., May 12, 1899

Tuolumne county called a convention of miners on the 20th of May. The purpose of the convention was to organize a Tuolumne branch of the California Miners' Association. A delegation from the State Association was present, among whom were President Jacob H. Neff, Tiley L. Ford, W. C. Ralston, Chas. G. Yale, J. F. Davis, John M. Wright, and Edward H. Benjamin.

The good that the California Miners' Association has done for the industry in the past, cannot be overestimated, and the benefit to be derived from a branch of that organization in this county is plainly evident, says the *Sonora Independent*. The chief industry of Tuolumne is mining, and it is conceded to be the richest mineral section in the State, and by an association of this character much can be accomplished by united effort that would otherwise be impossible.

#### Silver-Plated Amalgamating Plates.

The plates made by E. G. Denniston of Denniston's San Francisco Plating works, 653 and 655 Mission street, San Francisco, Calif., are world-renowned, and have received 26 silver medals. Only the best Lake Superior copper and refined silver are used in their manufacture. They are made in any size, plain or corrugated. Mr. Denniston is the pioneer in the business, having been established for 35 years, and has made a great success, which is due to his thorough knowledge of the business, and the possession of the best facilities, also by depositing full weight of silver on every order.

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The work done at Denniston's San Francisco Plating works consists of gold, silver, platina, nickel, brass, copper and bronze plating on every description of metal work. The work done is first class, and done at lowest possible prices.

#### THE REDUCTION OF ORES.

BY C. R. ROAGDUR, OF SEATTLE.  
(Begun in our issue of May 1st.)

In making up his mix, the metallurgist adds a certain per cent of galena for a carrier to save the gold and silver. About 12 per cent is used now.

Most of the iron occurs in the ores and sulphurets. The sulphur in a lead smelter is out of place and must be eliminated by roasting. In roasting, what it takes nature years to do man accomplishes in a few hours. When she finishes, there is left the red streak of iron stain on the mountain side, by which the prospector spots his ledge.

All parts of the charge, ore, flux and fuel, which is usually coke, are weighed and fed in regularly at the top of the furnace, a force draft being used to keep up the combustion. The process is continuous, the slag being drawn off from one point at regular intervals,

while the lead is taken out at a lower point when necessary. From January to January, it stops not, except for an accident, which, if it stops the furnace, is quite expensive. The lead bullion is now ready for the refinery, where the gold, silver and lead are separated.

When there is copper in an ore that goes to a lead smelter, sufficient sulphur is left in the charge to form a copper sulphide or matte and the copper saved in the same form as in copper smelting. As all lead smelters buy ores carrying more or less copper, they save it in this way, putting them in with the regular ores, but ores without copper are preferred. This matte is drawn out with the slag, from which it separates on standing, for being heavier, it settles to the bottom, and when cold it is broken off and saved.

In smelting there is a small loss in the slag, from volatilization and in the dust. The last is mostly regained when good dust chambers are used, but the first and second, especially the first, it is the object of the superintendent to make as low as possible. They vary with the fluxing and the manipulation of the furnace.

One method of refining the lead bullion will be given. The bullion is melted in a large iron kettle with a certain percentage of zinc, the zinc having a greater affinity for the gold and silver than the lead. They liquate on cooling. The zinc with the gold and silver is taken off, and the lead again treated. When the lead has given up all the precious metal, it will contain some zinc, from which it is freed in a cupel furnace by distillation and oxidation. The precious metals are placed in a sulphuric acid bath and heated, the silver passes into solution as silver sulphate, while the gold remains undissolved.

The silver solution is decanted, the gold washed, dried, melted and cast into bars. Pure copper sheets are suspended in the silver sulphate and by metathesis we obtain metallic silver and copper sulphate. When all of the silver is deposited it is washed, dried and melted and run into bars. The sulphate of copper solution is evaporated and crystallized. This is a large source of the blue vitriol of commerce.

The other forms of smelting are copper smelting and pyritic, alike in their products, both being mattes, a sulphide product having the precious metals dissolved in them. In consequence they need more of a subsequent treatment to yield a finished product. They verge into each other, varying from a matte high in copper with but little iron, to one mostly iron and a small amount of copper. A strictly iron matte can be made and is made at Deadwood, North Dakota, but as a rule a small amount of copper is desirable.

Pyritic smelting is designed to concentrate the value of pyritic or sulphide ores by heat, using the sulphur as a part, if not all, of the fuel, fluxing away the gangue and the metals of no value. Part of the iron forms a sulphide, making with the copper sulphide the matte carrying the gold and silver with them. The process is in successful operation at a number of places, but it is not an easy plant to conduct. In fluxing, the range is greater than in lead smelting and theoretically it is quite simple, but practically it takes an experienced man to obtain good results. No preliminary roasting is needed, as the sulphur is used for the fuel.

The matte produced will yield its value by three different treatments. A straight iron matte can be roasted and pan amalgamated the same as gold sulphurets are often treated. When there is sufficient copper to pay to save

it is shipped to a lead smelter, roasted and treated the same as a sulphuret ore, the iron acting as a flux. The copper forms a copper matte, while the gold and silver are taken up by the lead. The arsenic and antimony are made use of in pyritic smelting, whereas in lead and copper smelting they are obnoxious. They pass into the iron matte, forming arsenides, antimonides, sulpharsenides and sulph-antimonides with the iron taking place of so much sulphur which may be used for fuel.

(To be Continued.)

#### Latest Mining Decisions.

Prepared by Andrews & Murdoch, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Where the owner of lands leased for mining purposes is in possession, no surrender on forfeiture of the lease is required. *Island Coal Co. vs. Combs et al*, 53 N. E. Rep. (Ind.) 452.

Forfeiture of a mining lease for failure to develop the property within the time specified is not waived by the owner's mere silent acquiescence. *Island Coal Co. vs. Combs et al*, 53 N. E. Rep. (Ind.) 452.

A lease of coal lands, reserving a royalty on the output as rent, and requiring the lessee, under a penalty of forfeiture, within a specified time to commence the work of developing the coal interest in the lands, by opening the shafts through which the coal can be mined and removed, and by opening mines so that coal can be mined and transported to the market, requires actual mining operations to be commenced within the time specified; and the mere erection and equipment of shafts and mines by which coal might be mined was insufficient. *Island Coal Co. vs. Combs et al*, 53 N. E. Rep. (Ind.) 452.

#### PERSONAL NEWS ITEMS

JOHN MEDINA, superintendent of the Big Blue mine near Kernville, Kern county, Calif., is spending a few days in San Francisco, Cal.

BESSIE L. SHIRLEY of Salt Lake City, Utah, has commenced the publication in that city of the *Salt Lake City Mine and Stock Journal*. The paper is handsomely printed, the cover being printed with copper bronze ink on a cream-colored cover paper. There are twenty pages of well-selected matter besides being lavishly illustrated.

MESSRS. C. E. LOOSE and WM. HATFIELD, two Grand Central mining men, of Utah, are visiting California.

C. T. MIXER, of Ishpeming, Mich., is examining some property near Telluride, Col.; from there he expects to return to Joplin, Mo.

JAS. E. RODRICK of Hazelton, Pa., is to succeed ROBERT BROWNLEE as chief of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Mines.

H. J. STUPELI left El Paso, Texas, last week for Sonora, Mexico, where he is interested in the North Star mines.

ARTHUR MURPHY, manager of the Copper Ranch mine, in Rocky district, Beaver county, Utah, recently left Salt Lake City for the property. A new shaft will be sunk and it is expected that a smelter will be erected before freezing weather sets in next winter.

TITOS M. BUZZO, manager of the Alice mine, Walkerville, Mont., spent a few days recently in Salt Lake, Utah.

A. W. GIFFORD, a mining man from Jarillas, Tex., is spending a few days in El Paso, Texas.

GEO. O. BRADLEY of Salt Lake City, has recently returned from Bisbee, Arizona, where he has been inspecting the smelter and reduction works formerly designed by him.

R. W. BARRELL, who was recently in the employ of the Union Hill Co., near Deadwood, S. Dak., has left for Eastern Oregon, to examine a mining property in the interest of St. Louis capitalists.



## The Mining And Metallurgical Journal

### THE MARKETS.

All quotations financial reports and other statistics of figures given under this head are New York quotations, unless otherwise stated in each item. These figures are carefully revised each issue, and constitute a very accurate compilation of statistical matter.

NEW YORK, March 29, 1899.

The following are the Silver, Copper and Lead quotations for the last two weeks:

	SILVER.	COPPER.	LEAD
May 15	61 1/2	19 00	1 15
" 16	61 1/2	19 00	1 15
" 17	61	19 00	1 15
" 18	61	19 00	1 15
" 19	60 3/4	19 00	1 15
" 20	61	19 00	1 15
" 21	61 1/2	19 00	1 15
" 22	61 1/2	19 00	1 15
" 23	61	19 00	1 15
" 24	61 1/2	19 00	1 15
" 25	61 1/2	19 00	1 15
" 26	61	19 00	1 15
" 27	61	19 00	1 15
" 28	61	19 00	1 15
" 29	61	19 00	1 15
" 30	61	19 00	1 15

Silver has not maintained the high level of April's closing figures. The excitement induced by speculation has died out. Prices have, however, held up over 28d., owing to limited offerings. The East has not been a buyer.

#### COPPER.

The market has been fairly firm, but very little business has been transacted. The only important change during the week has been a disposition to meet buyers of Lake at a somewhat lower price than that ruling during the preceding few weeks. We quote Lake 18@18 1/2c; electrolytic, in cakes, bars or ingots, 17@17 1/2c; electrolytic cathodes, 16 1/2@17c; and casting copper, 17c.

#### LEAD.

The improved condition continues to prevail, but prices have not advanced any further, the quotations being \$1 15. Spanish lead has changed for the better, the price now being \$14 6s @ \$14 8s, 3d., while for English it is \$14 7s. 6d. @ \$14 10s.

#### SPELLER.

Spelter is unchanged at \$6 85 @ \$6 90 at New York, and \$6 60 @ \$6 65 at St. Louis.

Foreign quotations also remain unchanged at \$28 10s. for ordinary kinds, and \$28 15s. for specials.

#### ANTIMONY.

Antimony continues in good demand, with prices unchanged at 10 1/2c for Cookson's; 10c. for Hallett's, "C" U. S. Star and Hungarian.

#### NICKEL.

Nickel continues unchanged and no alteration of prices can be reported. We quote for ton lots 33@36c per lb., and for smaller orders 35 1/2 @ 38c. London prices are 14@16d. per lb., according to size of order.

#### TIN.

Tin has experienced a further decline from the highest prices recently reached, having receded to 25 1/2c spot, with future entirely neglected. The happenings at this end have been merely a reflection of the events in the London market which is quoted in closing at £116 5s. for spot, £117 for three months.

#### PLATINUM.

The demand for Platinum is active and prices continue high. We quote for New York \$15 50 per ounce for large lots and \$16@17 for small orders; London is 62 @ 54 can ounce.

#### POTASSIUM CYANIDE.

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#### QUICKSILVER.

The New York quotation remains \$12 per flask; the London price has again advanced to £8 2s. per flask, with the same figures quoted for second hands.

#### POWDER.

F. O. B. San Francisco: No. 1, 70 per cent nitro-glycerine per lb. in carload lots, 17 1/2c less than one ton, 17 1/2c. No. 1\* 60 per cent., carload lots, 13 1/2c; less than one ton, 15 1/2c. No. 1\*\* 50 per cent., carload lots, 11 1/2c; less than one ton, 13 1/2c. No. 2, 40 per cent., carload lots, 10c; less than one ton, 12c. No. 2\*, 35 per cent., carload lots, 9 1/2c; less than one ton, 11 1/2c. No. 2\*\* 30 per cent., carload lots, 9c; less than one ton, 11c. Black blasting powder in carload lots, minimum car, 728 cwt., \$1.50 per keg; less car lots, \$2 per keg.

#### COKE.

There has been a quiet trade in coke with a slight improvement reported. In car lots, St. Louis. Connellsville fly coke 72 hr. fry \$1 70 New River... \$4.00 Pocahontas... 3.90 Crushed... 4.70 Gas works coke, lump, per bushel... 10

#### BORAX.

The San Francisco market in Borax is firm with a good demand.

The market is quoted as follows: Refined, in carload lots, in barrels 7 1/2c. Refined, in carload lots in sacks, 7c. Powdered, in car lots 6 1/2c. Concentrated, in car lots 6c.

#### THE MINOR METALS.

Quotations are given below for New York delivery:

Aluminum: No. 1, 99 per cent. Ingots, per lb. 35@36c. No. 2, 90 per cent. " 31@34c. Rolled sheets, per lb. 38c. up

Aluminum—Nickel, per lb. 135@136c. Al. 100% 135c. 80% 134c. 60% 133c. 40% 132c. 20% 131c. Magnesium, per lb. 60c. Ferro-tungsten, 60 per cent. 60c. Variations in price depend chiefly on the size of the order.

#### CHEMICALS.

A good and steady demand is reported and prices are firm.

#### CAUSTIC SODA.

Caustic soda, for next year's delivery, has been contracted for in a large quantity. We quote domestic high test at \$1.37 1/2 @ \$1.42 1/2 per 100 lbs. f. o. b. at works, \$1.45 @ \$1.55. Foreign caustic soda, high test \$1 60 @ \$1 70 delivered in 1 mg to test and in bulk.

#### ALKALI.

Caustic alkali for immediate delivery continues scarce. We quote for domestic, 65@70; foreign, 75@80.

#### CARBONATED SODA ASH.

58 per cent., 90c and 95c. per 100 lbs basis 48 per cent.

#### SALT SODA AND BI-CARBONATE OF SODA.

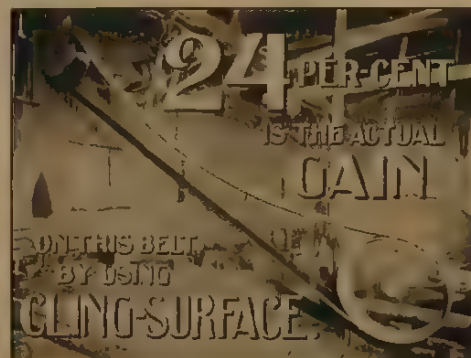
Salt soda and bi-carbonate soda are in good request. We quote domestic, salt soda, 50c. per 100 lbs. f. o. b. at works, less sundries 40c. Log oil, 60@62 1/2, and \$1.12 1/2 @ 1.25 per 100 lbs. f. o. b. at works, for domestic ordinary, and \$2 12 1/2 @ \$2 25 per 100 lbs. for foreign bi-carbonate soda, according to brand and style of package.

#### CHLORATE OF POTASH.

Chlorate of potash is steady and exports have been quoted up to 10c. We quote crystals 9 1/2 @ 9 5/8c, powdered 9 @ 9 1/2c.

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## FINANCIAL NOTES.

## Average Prices of Metals

in New York per 100 lbs. from January 1st, 1899

Month	Copper	Tin	Lead	Spelter
January	14.75	22.48	4.18	5.34
February	18.50	24.70	4.49	6.28
March	17.54	23.82	4.37	6.31
April	18.01	24.08	4.11	6.07
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				

## Average Prices of Silver.

in New York per ounce Troy, from January 1st, 1899, and for the years 1898 and 1897:

Month	1899	1898	1897
January	51.36	50.77	64.79
February	51.42	50.07	64.67
March	51.61	51.90	65.06
April	50.10	51.02	64.85
May	—	50.98	64.12
June	—	50.81	64.10
July	—	50.86	70.04
August	—	51.54	54.13
September	—	60.68	55.21
October	—	60.12	57.54
November	—	60.60	57.91
December	—	59.42	58.01
Year		58.26	59.70

The statement of the United States Treasury, on Thursday, May 10th, shows balances in excess of outstanding certificates as below, comparison being made with the statement for the corresponding date last week:

	May 10,	Changes.
Gold	\$1,100,000,000	\$1,100,000,000
Silver	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Legal tenders	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
U. S. Notes, etc.	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Totals	\$4,400,000,000	\$4,400,000,000

Treasury deposits with national banks amounted to \$81,129,919, a decrease of \$814,161, during this week.

## Gold and Silver Exports and Imports.

At all United States ports, for the month of March, 1899, and year from January 1st, 1898, and 1899:

	MARCH	1898	1899
Gold—Exports	\$1,100,000,000	\$1,100,000,000	\$1,100,000,000
Imports	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Excess	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Silver—Exports	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Imports	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Excess	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000

	YEAR	1898	1899
Gold—Exports	\$4,400,000,000	\$4,400,000,000	\$4,400,000,000
Imports	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Excess	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Silver—Exports	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Imports	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000
Excess	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000	1,100,000,000

This statement includes the exports and imports at all United States ports, the figures being furnished by the Bureau of Statistics of the Treasury Department.

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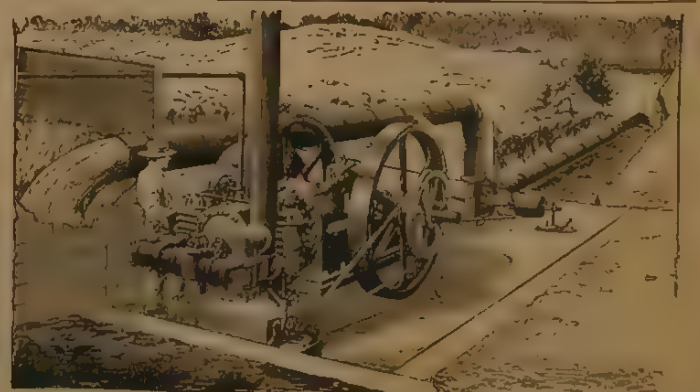
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## MINING STOCK QUOTATIONS

BOSTON		
Adventure	12 00	Mass
Allouez	11 00	Merced
Anaconda	65 00	Molack
Armadillo	60 00	Napa Quicksilver
Arnold	14 50	Old Colony Min
Atlantic	34 50	Old Dominion
Belle	33 50	Oreola
Bingham	14 00	Parrott
Bonanza	1 80	Pioneer
Boston & Mont	80 00	Quincy
Breece	2 00	Rhode Island
Bute & Boston	52 50	Santa Fe
Calumet & Hecla	30 00	Santa Ysabel
Catalpa	35 00	Tamarack
Centennial	41 00	Tecumseh
Cochiti	14 12 1/2	Tel Mountain
Copper Range	45 00	Victor
Crescent	30 00	United States
Dominion Pref	116 50	Utah Mining
Franklin	22 00	Washington Mng
Gold Dredging	34 50	Winona
Honhold	2 50	Wolverine
Isk Royale	57 00	Wyan Lutte
Melones	4 00	

## ROSSLAND, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Braiden & G.M.C.	30	Kootenay Gold F.	—
Brit. Amer. Cor	8 00	Lewick	—
Brit. Col. Cor	8 00	Lily May	18
Canad. G.M.C.	10	Lun. & Van M.D.C.	60
Caribou	1 75	London H. C. G.F.	75
Commander	—	Monte Cristo	12
Deer Park	—	New G.M.C.	15
Dundee	25	Novelty	35
Evening Star	80	Queen Rosa Prop.	35
Fern	52	Rambler Con	25
Gold Fields of B.C.	25	Red Mount, View	—
Hattie Brown	—	Reco	—
Hill Mines	—	Silver Hill	—
Homestake	3 75	Silver Queen	—
Iron Horse	18	St. Elmo	—
Iron Mask	75	Siren Star	2 00
Josie	—	Vic. Tr. M. Dev. Co.	—
Jumbo	12	Waverly Mines	75
Kenneth	—	War Eagle Con	4 50
Keystone	—	White Bear	10

## SAN FRANCISCO.

Alta Con	8	Mexican	49
Andes	8	Occidental	25
Belcher	34	Opah	1 15
Beat & Belcher	63	Overman	18
Bullion	07	Outario	—
Caledonia	38	Plymouth	—
Challenge	32	Potosi	25
Chollar	30	Quicksilver	—
Confidence	75	Quicksilver pref	—
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 55	Savage	23
Crown Point	18	Seg. Belcher	02
Deadwood	—	Sierra Nevada	33

Gold & Curry	35	Silver Hill	—
Hale & Norcross	28	Standard	2 80
Homestake	—	Union Con	43
Iron Silver	—	Utah	18
Justice	22	Yellow Jacket	37

## COLORADO SPRINGS STOCKS

Ancela	08 1/2	Hayden	01 1/2
Alamo	08	Ingham Con	01 1/2
Altamont	—	Isabella	07 1/2
American Con	04	Jack Pot	42 1/2
Anaconda	54	Kimberly	07 1/2
Aols	02 1/2	Liverington	—
Arcadia Cons	—	Magnet Rock	—
Argentum Junata	31	Matos	87 1/2
Banner	02	Mountain Beauty	04 1/2
Bankers	—	Montreal	—
Belcher	03 1/2	Mollie Gibson	—
Crescent & C	11 1/2	Mount Ros	25 1/2
Cripple Ck Con	10 1/2	Mount Ros	25 1/2
Dante	—	New Haven	02 1/2
Des Moines	01 1/2	Oreola	04 1/2
El Paso	23 1/2	Orphan Bell	08 1/2
El Paso	23 1/2	Pharmacist	05 1/2
Fanny B.	09 1/2	Portland	1 00
Favorite	—	Pr. Albert	04
Findlay	14 1/2	Rattler	03
Flower of the W't	02 1/2	Specimen	08 1/2
Golden Place	33 1/2	Theresa	08 1/2
Gold & Glob	04 1/2	Trichyite	04 1/2
Gold King	94 1/2	Union Gold	04 1/2
Gould	28 1/2	Vindicator	—
Granite Hill	—	Work	21 1/2

## SALT LAKE CITY

Alice	70	Joe Bowers Ex.	08 1/2
Ajux	1 52 1/2	La Reine	80
Alliance	10	Little Pittsburgh	87 1/2
Anchor	—	Lower Mammoth	88 1/2
Buckeye	03 1/2	Malvern	—
Bullion Beck	5 85	Mammoth	7 20
Cent. Eureka	60 00	Mercur	7 20
Chloride Point	81 1/2	Morgan	—
Daisy	27 1/2	Northern Light	74 1/2
Dalton	08 1/2	Omaha	25
Dalton & Lark	08 1/2	Ontario	2 50
Daly	1 50	Rich. Anaconda	06
Daily West	8 80	Sacramento	46
Dexter	2 40	Shower Con	39
Eagle	08 1/2	Silver King	40 00
Eight & Blue Bell	37	Sun Consolidated	32 1/2
Four Aces	29 1/2	Sunbeam	44
Galena	28	Sunshine	70
Geyser-Marion	76	Swansea	4 05
Golden Eagle	08 1/2	Swansea	1 87 1/2
Grand Central	7 82 1/2	Petro	08 1/2
Homestake	14 1/2	Utah	10
Horn Silver	1 25	Valco	1 13
Ingot	28	West M'n Placer	47
Joe Bowers	15	Young America	—

## NEW YORK.

Adams Con	15	Isabella	80
Alamo	07	Iron Silver	55
Alca	1 30	Jefferson	05 1/2
Alliance	10	Jessie Blanche	45 1/2
Anaconda	55 50	Justine	02 1/2
Anaconda Gold	54	King & Pemb	20 1/2
Archona L.	32 1/2	Lead. Life Cons	11
Argentum Junata	30	Little Chief	17
Belcher	30	Mexican	45 1/2
Beat & Belcher	60	Mollie Gibson	27 1/2
Burt Gold	—	Mt. Rosa	28 1/2
Breece	2 05	Occidental	28 1/2
Brunswick	24	Ontario	8 50
Challenger	25	Opbir	1 20
Chrysolite	12	Pharmacist	1 08
Comstock Tunnel	05	Phoenix	11
Comstock Rocks	08	Plymouth	10
Comstock Script.	08	Portland	1 07 1/2
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 57	Intol.	20
Cr. & Cr. Creek	10	Quicksilver	2 25
Crescent	15	Quicksilver pld	8 00
Crown Point	25	R. K. Mountain	01 1/2
Cripple Creek Con	10	S. J. Star	03 1/2
Deadwood	80	Sixty	22
Edison Cons	91	Sierra Nevada	64
Enterprise	30	South Hope	1 35
Garfield Con	13	Sp. Inch	07
Good Samaritan	—	Standard	2 50
Gold Coin C. Ck	1 95	Syndicate	08
Gold Coin Gilpin	35	Union Con	40
Golden Place	33	Union	21 1/2
Gould & Curry	38	Utah Con	11
Gregory Gold	22	Union Gold	—
Hale & Norcross	23 1/2	Vindicator	—
High Five	22 1/2	Work	20
Homestake	55 00	Yellow Jacket	35
Horn Silver	1 75		

## SPOKANE, WASHINGTON.

Ben Hur	28	Number Six	12
Black Tail	17	Palo Alto	14 1/2
Bryan and Sewall	05	Pearl	12
Bute and Boston	17 1/2	Pocahontas	04
Cardman	03	Princess Maude	18
Eureka First Th't	05	Quill	18
Eureka Queen	08 1/2	R. B. C.	19
Golden Harvest	07 1/2	Republic	3 75
Gold Leaf	08 1/2	Republic Big Six	04 1/2
Iron Monitor	08 1/2	Republic No. 2	05 1/2
Jim Blaine	57	Han Pol	05
Liberty	04	Surprise	12
Lone Pine Cons	42 1/2	Thoughtful	02
Merrimac	08 1/2	Tom Thumb	22
Mourne	08	Trade Dollar	12
Morning Glory	20	Treasury	05
Mountain Lion	87 1/2		

## DENVER STOCK REPORT.

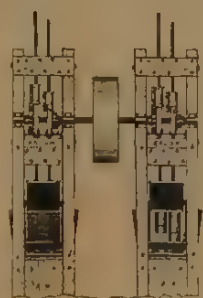
Acina	—	Keystone	11
Anchora Leland	—	Lille	—
Anaconda	51	Matos	31 1/2
Arcadia	44	Mollie Gibson	27 1/2
Argentum Junata	—	Mon Anchor	1 05
Banner	—	Mt. Rosa	28 1/2

Bob Lee	08 1/2	Gold Gold	61 1/2
El Paso	24 1/2	Pilgrim	—
Enterprise	07 1/2	Pine Creek	—
Fanny B.	25	Portland	1 89
Garfield Group	—	Prince Albert	04
Geo. Washington	03	Republic	05
Golden Eagle	72	Seaside	04
Gold Coin	1 90	Smuggler	28
Gulpin & C.	—	Specimen	08 1/2
Gulpin Pair	04	Tamarack	07
Golden Piece	33 1/2	Union Gold	—
Isabella	87 1/2	Virginia M	03
Iron Clad	34	Wheeler Cons	—
Jack Pot	42 1/2	Work	21 1/2

## MEXICO

Name of Company	State	Price
Atlix & Colcordia	Hidalgo	12
Angustias	Guajalato	380
Arceval y Anexa	Hidalgo	200
Astoria y Anexa	Zacatecas	80
Barand y Cabria	Durango	60
Barlovento de Medina	Hidalgo	70
Cabezon y An	Zacatecas	15
Candelaria de Pinos	Hidalgo	90
Capatzen	Durango	50
Carmen	Hidalgo	470
Cinco Senores y An	Guajalato	410
Concepcion y Anexa	S. Luis Potosi	100
Corona	Mexico	75
El Oro	Guajalato	30
El Oro, pref.	Guajalato	30
Espanza y An	Mexico	1,330
Florida	Chihuahua	50
Guadalupe	Guajalato	235
Luz de Borda Avindo	Michoacan	40
Luz de Borda Avindo	Michoacan	70
Luz de Maravillas	Hidalgo	200
Palabon	Hidalgo	20
Palma de Sotol	Zacatecas	30
Panico	Durango	2,000
Rafael y Anexa	Hidalgo	1,000
Real del Monte	Hidalgo	750
Restauradora	Durango	20
Restauradora y Anexa	Durango	10
San Francisco	Hidalgo	190
San Rafael Avindo	Hidalgo	110
San Rafael del Oro	Hidalgo	20
Sta. Maria de la Paz	S. Luis Potosi	720
Soledad	Hidalgo	350
Sopresa	Hidalgo	210
Trinidad Avindo	Guajalato	140
Trinidad Avindo	Guajalato	125
Tlaxiango	Puebla	28
Union Harada	Hidalgo	330
Zona Min. de Paz	Guajalato	65

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## INCORPORATED MINES PAYING DIVIDENDS.

	NAMES OF MINES	LOCATION	No. of Shares	Capital Stock	Par Value	Amount of last Dividend	Date of Last Dividend	Total Amount Paid in Dividends	Kind of Minerals Produced
1	Aetna Cons.	California	100,000	500,000	\$ 5	\$ 10	Apr 1899	\$ 170,000	G
2	Alaska Treadwell	Alaska	200,000	5,000,000	25	37½	Apr 1899	1,410,000	G
3	Alaska Mexican	Alaska	200,000	1,000,000	5	10	Apr 1899	75,000	G
4	Alces	Montana	400,000	10,000,000	25	05	April 1899	1,075,000	G, S, L
5	Anaconda	Montana	1,200,000	30,000,000	25	1 25	May 1899	97,000	G
6	Anchorage Island	Colorado	600,000	600,000	1	03	Apr 1899	198,000	G
7	American Gold	Colorado	300,000	3,000,000	10	00	Mar 1899	97,000	G, S, L
8	Associated	Colorado	1,250,000	1,250,000	1	01	Dec 1898	72,000	G
9	Bald Butte	Montana	250,000	250,000	1	08	Mar 1899	679,518	G, S
10	Big Six	Colorado	600,000	600,000	1	00½	May 1898	1,000	G, S
11	Boston & California	California	600,000	600,000	1	06	March 1899	30,000	G
12	Boston and Colorado Smelting	Colorado	15,000	750,000	50	5 00	April 1899	175,000	G, C, S
13	Boston & Montana	Montana	150,000	3,750,000	25	6 00	May 1899	10,000	G
14	Breco	Colorado	200,000	5,000,000	25	05	June 1899	50,000	G, S
15	Bullion Berk and Champion	Utah	100,000	1,000,000	10	10	Apr 1899	2,558,100	G, S, L
16	Bunker Hill and Sullivan	Idaho	300,000	3,000,000	10	07	Apr 1899	618,000	G
17	Cariboo	British Col	400,000	400,000	1	01	Feb 1899	214,005	G
18	Calumet & Hecla	Michigan	10,000	2,500,000	25	10 00	Mar 1899	60,850,000	G, S, L
19	Centennial Eureka	Utah	30,000	1,500,000	50	50	Apr 1899	2,000,000	G, S, L
20	Central Lead	Missouri	10,000	1,000,000	100	50	May 1899	60,000	G
21	Champion	California	34,000	340,000	10	25	April 1898	298,200	G
22	Charleston	S. Carolina	10,000	1,000,000	100	1 50	Dec 1898	180,000	G
23	Colorado Smelting	Montana	100,000	1,000,000	10	1 00	Jan 1899	1,015,000	G, S, C
24	Consolidated Tiger and Poorman	Idaho	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	02	Dec 1898	20,000	G, S
25	Creston Leasing	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	01	Dec 1898	51,000	G
26	Crowned King	Arizona	600,000	6,000,000	10	02	Dec 1898	232,000	G, S, L
27	Doe Run	Missouri	5,000	500,000	100	50	May 1899	72,000	G
28	Elkton Consolidated	Colorado	1,250,000	1,250,000	1	01½	Nov 1898	650,000	G, S
29	Empire State	Idaho	75,000	750,000	10	20	May 1899	140,200	G
30	Enterprise	Colorado	500,000	500,000	1	05	Sept 1898	900,000	G, S, L
31	Ferris-Haggerty	Wyoming	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	00½	Mar 1899	5,000	G, S, L
32	Geyser-Marion	Utah	300,000	1,500,000	5	02	Sept 1898	90,000	G
33	Gold Coin of Victor	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	01	May 1899	20,000	G
34	Gold King	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	02	May 1899	5,000	G
35	Golden Cycle	Colorado	200,000	1,000,000	5	02	May 1899	175,500	G
36	Golden Reward	S. Dakota	1,000,000	1,000,000	15	15	Feb 1898	155,000	G
37	Grand Central	Utah	250,000	250,000	1	15	May 1899	197,750	G, S, C, L
38	Grain	California	20,000	1,000,000	50	25	Apr 1899	65,500	G
39	Highland	S. Dakota	100,000	10,000,000	100	20	May 1899	3,841,718	G
40	Holy Terror	S. Dakota	300,000	300,000	1	01	Mar 1899	122,000	G
41	Homestake	S. Dakota	125,000	12,500,000	100	50	Apr 1899	7,431,250	G
42	Horn Silver	Utah	400,000	10,000,000	25	05	April 1899	5,260,000	S, L
43	Idaho	British Col	500,000	500,000	1	05½	Jan 1899	292,000	G
44	Iowa	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	00½	June 1898	90,000	G
45	Isabella	Colorado	2,250,000	2,250,000	1	06	Feb 1899	405,000	G
46	Jack Pot	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	02½	Mar 1899	25,000	G
47	Jersey Leasing	Colorado	200,000	200,000	1	03½	Oct 1898	137,875	G
48	Lake Superior Iron	Michigan	84,000	2,700,000	25	1 00	Feb 1899	730,000	G
49	Le Roi	British Col	500,000	2,500,000	5	10	Apr 1898	775,000	G
50	Lille	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	05	Apr 1899	215,360	G
51	Minnesota	Minnesota	185,000	18,500,000	100	1 50	Oct 1898	4,735,000	G
52	Modoc	Colorado	500,000	500,000	1	02	May 1899	130,000	G
53	Montana Ltd	Montana	860,000	3,800,000	5	12	Apr 1899	2,997,557	G, S
54	Montana Ore Purchasing	Montana	40,000	1,000,000	25	1 00	Apr 1899	1,040,000	G
55	Morning Star	California	2,400	240,000	100	2 50	Apr 1899	720,600	G
56	Mt. Rosa	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	02	Jan 1898	60,000	G
57	Mercur	Utah	200,000	6,000,000	25	12½	Jan 1899	1,260,000	G
58	Mammoth	Utah	400,000	10,000,000	25	05	Dec 1898	1,350,000	G, S, C, L
59	Maton	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	02½	Dec 1898	25,000	G
60	Mead	California	2,000,000	2,000,000	1	20	Mar 1899	100,000	G
61	Montreal	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	01	Nov 1898	7,500	G
62	Monument	Colorado	300,000	300,000	1	01	Dec 1898	12,624	G
63	Moulton	Montana	400,000	2,000,000	5	05	Feb 1899	480,000	G
64	Moon Anchor Gold	Colorado	600,000	600,000	1	07½	Nov 1898	261,000	G
65	Mountain Copper	California	250,000	6,250,000	25	62½	Sept 1898	93,750	G
66	New York & Hon. Rosario	Central A.	160,000	1,600,000	10	10	May 1899	1,050,000	S, G
67	Napa	California	100,000	700,000	7	20	Apr 1899	990,000	G
68	New Idria Quicksilver	California	100,000	500,000	5	20	Apr 1899	120,000	G
69	North Star	California	200,000	2,000,000	10	25	Apr 1898	550,000	G
70	Ophir Hill	Utah	1,000	25,000	25	20 00	Dec 1898	20,000	G
71	Osceola	Michigan	50,000	1,250,000	25	2 00	Dec 1898	2,552,500	C
72	Parrot	Montana	230,000	2,300,000	10	30	Mar 1899	2,315,898	C
73	Pennsylvania Consolidated	California	51,500	5,150,000	10	05	May 1899	64,505	G
74	Pioneer	California	100,000	1,000,000	10	12½	Mar 1899	62,500	G
75	Portland	Colorado	3,000,000	3,000,000	1	02	May 1899	2,137,080	G, S
76	Plumbago	California	300,000	300,000	1	15	Jan 1899	15,000	G
77	Quincy	Michigan	100,000	2,500,000	25	3 50	Feb 1899	10,470,000	C
78	*Republic Consolidated	Washington	3,000,000	3,000,000	1	01	Apr 1899	30,000	G
79	Ra. Elder-Cariboo	British Col	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	01	Apr 1899	50,000	G
80	Royal Consolidated	British Col	2,500,000	2,500,000	1	01	Mar 1899	25,000	G
81	Sacramento	Utah	1,000,000	5,000,000	5	00½	Apr 1899	82,000	G
82	Small Hope Consolidated	Colorado	250,000	6,000,000	20	10	Feb 1899	3,325,000	S
83	South Swansea	Utah	150,000	150,000	1	05	Apr 1899	117,500	S, L
84	Standard	California	200,000	20,000,000	100	10	May 1899	1,579,200	G, S
85	St. Joseph	Missouri	30,000	3,000,000	10	1 50	Mar 1899	2,820,000	L
86	Silver King	Utah	150,000	3,000,000	20	25	May 1899	2,975,000	S, L, G
87	Smuggler	Colorado	1,000,000	1,000,000	1	01	Jan 1899	1,105,000	S, L, Z
88	Swansea	Utah	101,000	500,000	5	05	May 1899	161,500	S, L
89	Tamarack	Michigan	80,000	1,600,000	15	4 00	Dec 1898	5,570,000	C
90	Tomboy	Colorado	200,000	2,000,000	10	25	Dec 1898	690,000	G
91	Utah	Utah	100,000	1,000,000	10	02	Jan 1899	179,000	G
92	Victor	Colorado	200,000	1,000,000	5	50	Dec 1898	1,150,000	G
93	Vindicator	Colorado	1,500,000	1,500,000	1	05	Apr 1899	204,000	G
94	War Eagle	British Col	2,000,000	1,000,000	1	01½	May 1899	309,000	G
95	Wolverine	Michigan	40,000	2,500,000	25	1 50	Apr 1899	150,000	C
96	Yellow Aster	California	100,000	1,000,000	10	10	Apr 1899	175,780	G

S. Silver; G. Gold; L. Lead; C. Copper; Q. Quicksilver;

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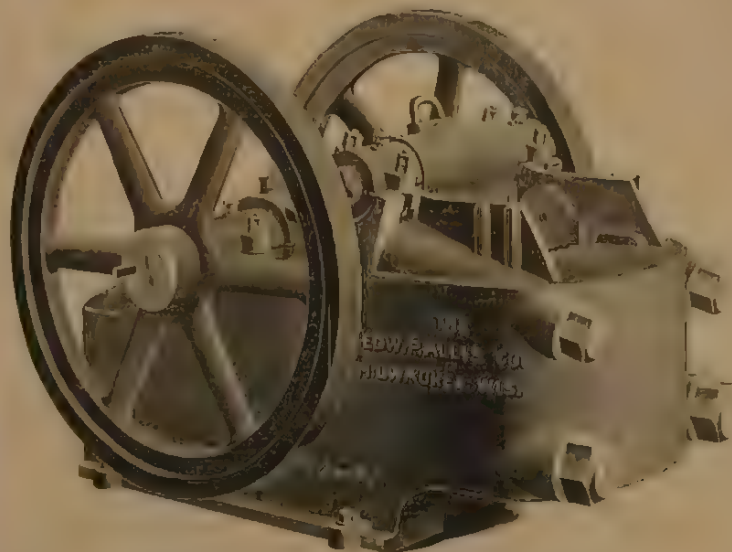


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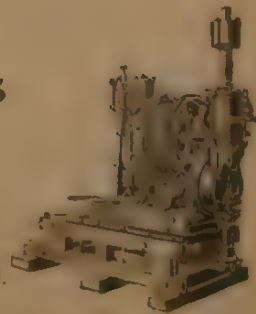
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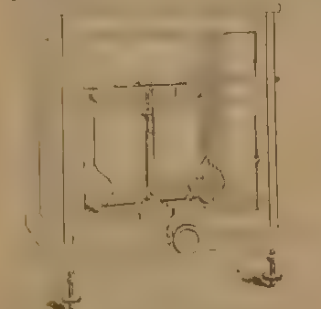
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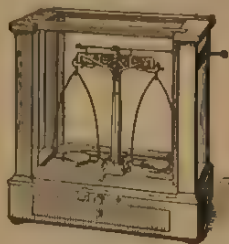
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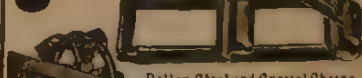
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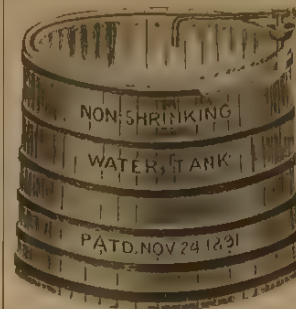
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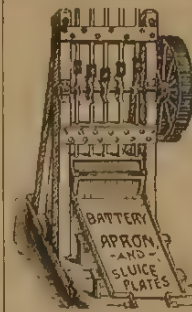
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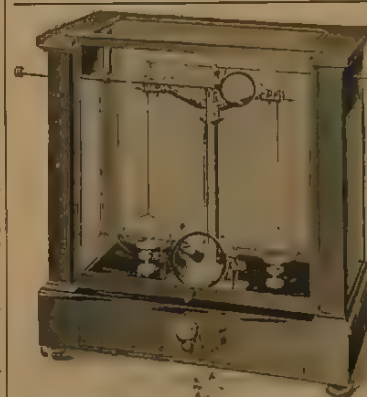
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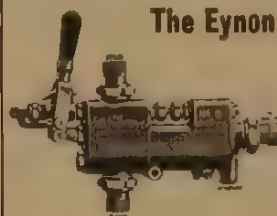
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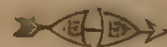
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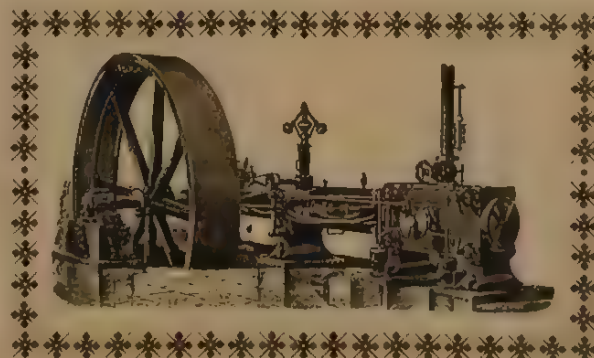
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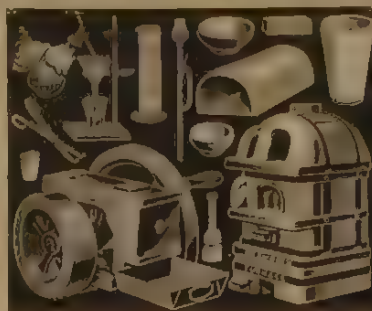
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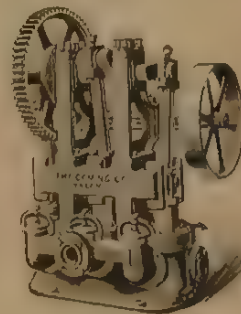
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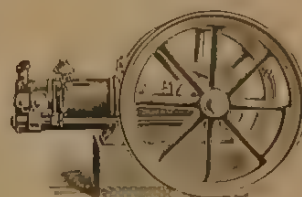
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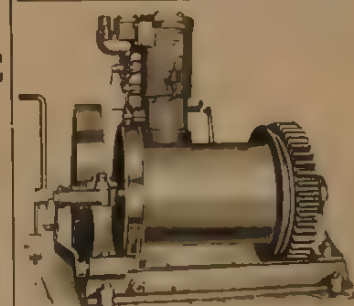
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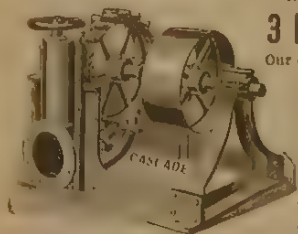
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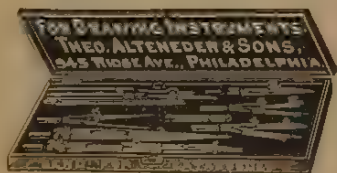
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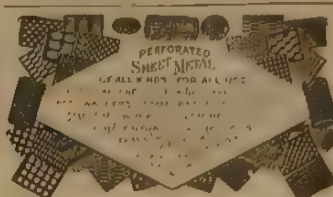
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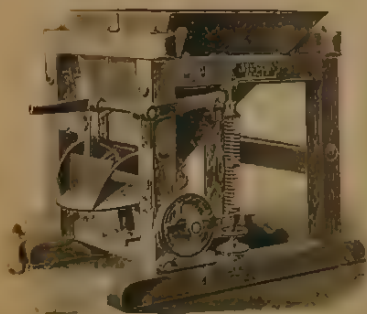
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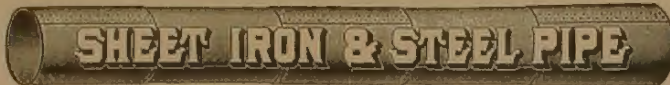
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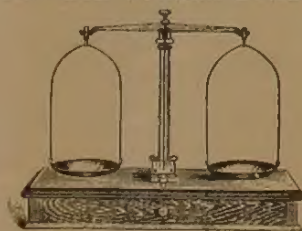
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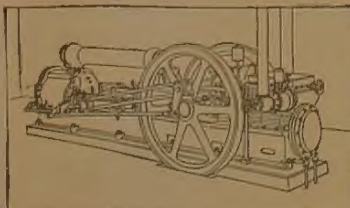
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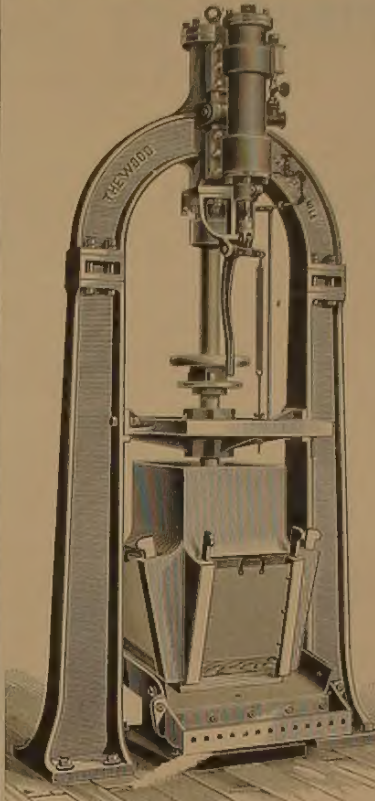
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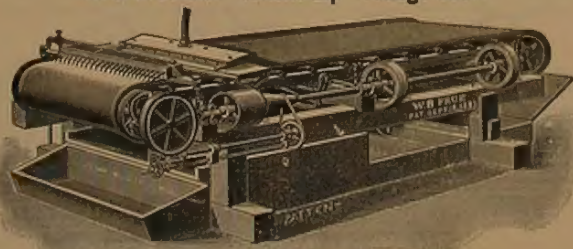
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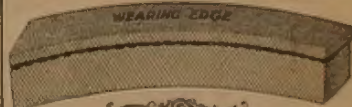
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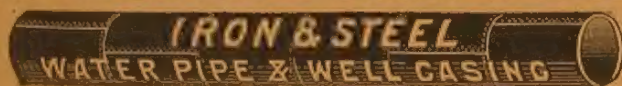
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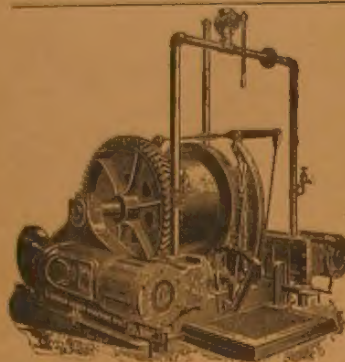
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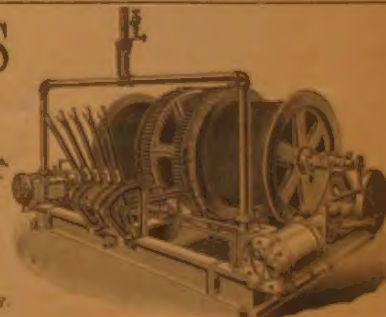
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